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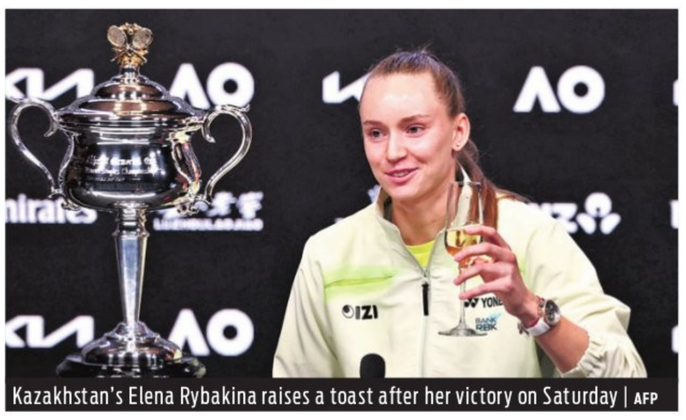

Kazakhstan's Elena Rybakina raises a toast after her victory on Saturday | AFP

OZ OPEN: RYBAKINA DEFEATS SABALENKA

Elena Rybakina edges past Aryna Sabalenka to lift the Australian Open. The Kazakh, born in Moscow, is one of the hardest hitters in the game. Sabalenka, who had yet to drop a set this year, had started the final as a favourite, but very soon came under fire. Being played indoors because of rain, she recovered but the Kazakh won the first set. Sabalenka roared back to take the second but her opponent ultimately prevailed 6-4, 4-6, 6-4 P17

2-yr deputation at Centre must for IPS officers

MUKESH RANJAN @ New Delhi

FACING an acute shortage of Indian Police Service (IPS) officers at the Centre, the Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has amended promotion guidelines to make central deputation mandatory for empanelment to senior ranks.

MHA has revised its norms stating that IPS officers would be required to complete a minimum of two years of central deputation at the rank of SP and DIG, or an equivalent level, to be eligible for empanelment as IG or its equivalent cadre.

The decision follows reminders from MHA to state governments to nominate an adequate number of IPS officers for central deputation in line with the Central Deputation Reserve. These reminders have come even from the level of Union Home Secretary Govind Mohan, highlighting gaps in staffing at the Centre, particularly at the SP and DIG levels. The revised rules will apply to IPS officers of 2011 batch onwards.

An MHA official said younger IPS officers have shown reluctance for central deputation due to the appeal of field postings in districts where they lead police forces and exercise direct command. As a result, many officers prefer to remain in their respective state cadres during the early and middle stages of their careers. Officers become more inclined to serve at the Centre only after reaching the IG level or above. This imbalance prompted the rule tweak.

SUNETRA DEPUTY CM, SHARAD PAWAR SORE

1st woman in Maha to hold post; NCP merger may hit hurdle: Sharad

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

SUNETRA Ajit Pawar was sworn in as deputy chief minister of Maharashtra on Saturday at the Governor's House in Mumbai, becoming the first woman to occupy the position in the state.

She was allotted excise, sports, minority development and Aukaf (Waqf) departments, but not finance and planning which her late husband Ajit Pawar held.

The brief swearing-in ceremony at the Lok Bhavan took place three days after deputy chief minister Ajit Pawar died in an air crash in Baramati on January 28.

A commerce graduate, Sunetra, 62, resigned from her Rajya Sabha membership, and is expected to contest the byelection to the Baramati assembly constituency represented by her late husband.

After Ajit Pawar's demise, the 85-year-old Sharad Pawar had called a meeting of the Pawar family on Friday night to discuss the merger of both factions of the NCP. But Sunetra and her two sons, Parth and Jay, skipped it and left for Mumbai for the NCP's legislative party meeting and oath-taking ceremony. An apparently miffed Pawar told the media in Baramati a day later that he had no idea that Sunetra was going to be sworn in as deputy CM.

"We had several meetings with Ajit for the merger of NCP. It was his wish that both factions should come together... it appears the process may hit a roadblock following the accident," Sharad Pawar said. Parth then rushed back to Baramati to mollify his grandfather as well as Supriya Sule. P12

From left, CM Devendra Fadnavis, Governor Acharya Devvrat, Deputy CM Eknath Shinde and Deputy CM Sunetra Pawar after her swearing-in in Mumbai | PTI

PROBE GATHERS STEAM

SIT to investigate CJ Roy's suicide

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

THE State Government on Saturday constituted a Special Investigation Team (SIT), comprising officers from the Bengaluru City Police, to investigate the suicidal death of **Chiriankandath Joseph Roy,** popularly known as CJ Roy, chairman of Confident Group -- a prominent real estate company.

The SIT will be headed by 2009-batch IPS officer C Vamsi Krishna, now serving as Joint Commissioner of Police (West). Lokesh B Jagalsar, Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP) - South division, will function as the Investigation Officer . DCP (Central) Akshay M Hakay and other senior officers deputed from various divisions and special units will be members.

The SIT has been empowered to induct additional officers and resources as required.

"The SIT will investigate the suicide case of CJ Roy. Based on its findings, the future course of investigations will be decided," Karnataka Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara told the media.

The complaint filed by 63-year-old TA Joseph, Managing Director of Confident Group, with the jurisdictional Ashoknagar police will be transferred to the SIT. As part of the investigation, the SIT will examine the data of two mobile phones of Roy, his bank transactions and his professional life. It will also record the statements of his staff. The Income Tax officials who were at the scene of crime when the incident occurred are also likely to be questioned. MORE ON P3

EXPRESS READ

Guv sends hate speech bill for Prez consideration

BENGALURU: Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot has reserved the Karnataka Hate Speech and Hate Crime (Prevention) Bill, 2025, for President's consideration. Gehlot stressed the need for more deliberations to ascertain the constitutionality of the Bill P4

India beat New Zealand by 46 runs in fifth T20I

THIRUVANANTHAPURAM: Ishan Kishan smashed a maiden T20I hundred, while Suryakumar Yadav hit a fifty as India defeated New Zealand by 46 runs in the 5th match to seal the series 4-1 on Saturday. **Score:** India: 271/5 in 20 overs, NZ: 225/10 in 19.4 overs P17

4 migrant workers found dead in city shed

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FOUR labourers from Assam were found dead under mysterious circumstances at their shed at E Muthsandra in Hoskote taluk under the Sulibele police limits, on the outskirts of Bengaluru, on Friday night.

The four were working as loaders at a warehouse that stores soft drinks. After returning to the shed from work on Friday night, they had kept rice to cook, locked the door and shut all the windows. Another roommate, who returned from work later, found them dead.

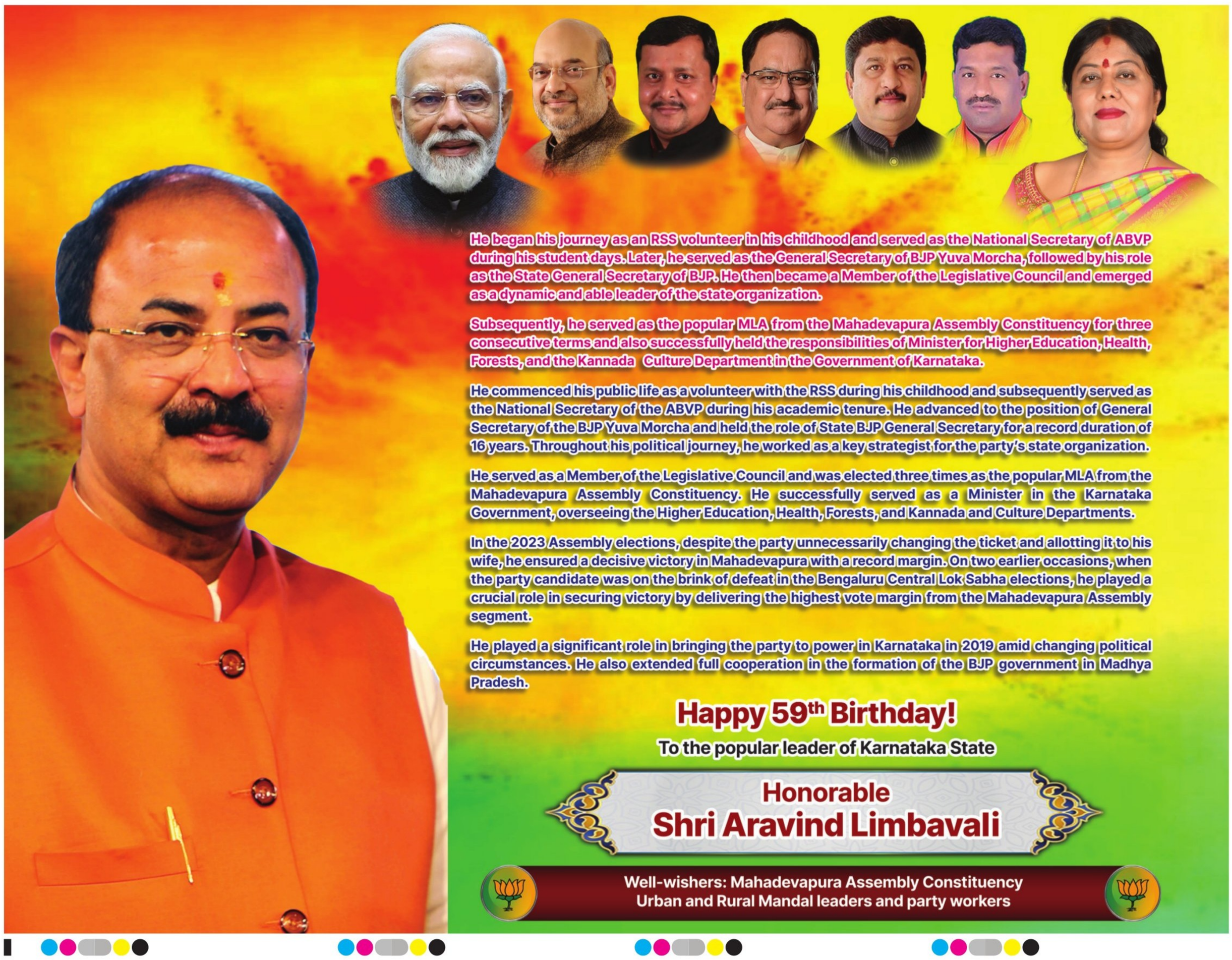
The deceased have been identified as Jayant Sindhe (25), Nirendranath (24), Doctor Tide (25) and Dhananjay Tide (20).

The other roommate, Ajay, who was working at a different place, returned to the shed around 11 pm. When there was no response from any of his friends, he forcibly opened the door and saw smoke inside. P3

EXPRESS INTAKE

Panel for abolition of regional devpt boards except KKRDB | P4

Jayamala marks her second term as president of KFCC | P4


He began his journey as an RSS volunteer in his childhood and served as the National Secretary of ABVP during his student days. Later, he served as the General Secretary of BJP Yuva Morcha, followed by his role as the State General Secretary of BJP. He then became a Member of the Legislative Council and emerged as a dynamic and able leader of the state organization.
Subsequently, he served as the popular MLA from the Mahadevapura Assembly Constituency for three consecutive terms and also successfully held the responsibilities of Minister for Higher Education, Health, Forests, and the Kannada Culture Department in the Government of Karnataka.
He commenced his public life as a volunteer with the RSS during his childhood and subsequently served as the National Secretary of the ABVP during his academic tenure. He advanced to the position of General Secretary of the BJP Yuva Morcha and held the role of State BJP General Secretary for a record duration of 16 years. Throughout his political journey, he worked as a key strategist for the party's state organization.
He served as a Member of the Legislative Council and was elected three times as the popular MLA from the Mahadevapura Assembly Constituency. He successfully served as a Minister in the Karnataka Government, overseeing the Higher Education, Health, Forests, and Kannada and Culture Departments.
In the 2023 Assembly elections, despite the party unnecessarily changing the ticket and allotting it to his wife, he ensured a decisive victory in Mahadevapura with a record margin. On two earlier occasions, when the party candidate was on the brink of defeat in the Bengaluru Central Lok Sabha elections, he played a crucial role in securing victory by delivering the highest vote margin from the Mahadevapura Assembly segment.
He played a significant role in bringing the party to power in Karnataka in 2019 amid changing political circumstances. He also extended full cooperation in the formation of the BJP government in Madhya Pradesh.
Happy 59th Birthday!
To the popular leader of Karnataka State
Honorable
Shri Aravind Limbavali
Well-wishers: Mahadevapura Assembly Constituency
Urban and Rural Mandal leaders and party workers

ALMANAC TODAY
• **Sunday:** 01.02.2026 • **Year:** Vishwavasu • **Ayana:** Uththarayana
• **Ritu:** Sisira • **Masa:** Magha • **Paksha:** Sukla • **Tithi:** Purnima 4.05 am
• **Nakshatra:** Pushymi 12.35 am • Moon in Simha Rashi • **Rahukaala:** 04:30 pm to 06:00 pm
• **Gulikakala:** 03:00 pm to 04:30 pm • **Yamaganda:** 12:00 pm to 01:30 pm

WEATHER
MIN 12°C | MAX 28°C
FORECAST Afternoon clouds

Sunrise 06.45 am
Sunset 06.20 pm
Moonrise 05.54 am
Moonset 06.09 pm

TURNING PAIN INTO PURPOSE

Nagaratna Ramagouda of Belagavi fought against all odds after testing positive for HIV and set up Ashraya Foundation for those living with the virus

My journey as a social worker began because of my son. While I was pregnant, I lived in constant fear of my baby's future. Counselling by Dr Shivram helped me overcome this fear. Slowly, I began meeting people and sharing my story. Luckily, my son was born HIV-negative. From that moment, I devoted myself to supporting those living with HIV

-- Nagaratna Ramagouda, Founder, Ashraya Foundation

TUSHAR A MAJUKAR @Belagavi

RRANDED, boycotted and broken by stigma after being diagnosed HIV-positive, Nagaratna Ramagouda of Belagavi refused to let discrimination define her life. Instead, she turned her pain into purpose by establishing Ashraya Foundation, which has become a source of hope for hundreds of HIV-affected women and children across Karnataka.

Nagaratna's parents got her married to Ramagouda, an autorickshaw driver at Chikkodi, when she was just 16. Soon, Nagaratna's dream of a happy married life turned into a nightmare when she and her husband tested positive for HIV.

"Six months after we got married, Ramagouda tested positive for HIV. At his insistence, I too underwent the test and it returned positive. I was shattered. I sank into depression and barely stepped out of our house," Nagaratna told *TNSE*.

As the news spread, families and friends kept away from them. The couple faced a social boycott and was forced to leave Chikkodi for Belagavi. A few years later, Ramagouda passed away, while a determined Nagaratna fought on.

Nagaratna, also known as Safala, soon realised that the stigma harmed more than the virus. She saw many HIV-affected people losing hope, denied dignity, employment and social acceptance. This led her to take a bold decision. On May 1, 2016, she set up the Ashraya Foundation at Mahantesh Nagar in Belagavi along with Archana Vinod Padmannavar and Pramila Jagadeesh Kadrolli, who serve as its executive trustees. Nagaratna is its president.

"The Government Hospital in Belagavi played a significant role in implementing my welfare initiatives. Continuous encouragement from the hospital staff led me to establish Ashraya Foundation," she said.

Ashraya became Karnataka's first care home dedicated to HIV/AIDS-affected orphan girls and widows, providing free shelter, food, education, medical help and livelihood skills to them.

With limited government assistance, Ashraya runs purely on donations and public support. It has conducted over 400 activities in eight years, touching thousands of lives. In association with the Humanity Foundation, Belagavi, which works with the transgender community, Ashraya conducts awareness sessions on sex, gender and sexuality.

With support from the Mrunalini Foundation and district hospitals, Ashraya has provided grocery and nutritional support to 39 HIV and MDR TB co-infected patients for six months.

Ashraya has also provided protein and nutritional support to 25 HIV/TB co-infected individuals in Gokak for six months, and education kits to HIV-affected children in Gokak and Chikkodi with support from SVYM's Vihan project.

Ashraya also works as a frontline relief provider during natural disasters. When floods and landslides hit Belagavi district recently, Ashraya distributed food kits, tarpaulins, blankets and toiletries to the affected in seven villages with support from the Yuva Shakti Seva Foundation and Mitra Seva Balag.

Nagaratna's main focus is on education of HIV affected and underprivileged children. Ashraya has provided education kits to over 250 such children in Belagavi and 125 kits to children in Khanapur taluk. It has also provided lunch boxes to 150 HIV-positive children through a programme, "Champion in Me", in Dharwad.

During the pandemic, it distributed grocery kits to pregnant and lactating HIV-positive women in Bailhongal, Gokak and Athani taluks. Along with Rajashree Swa Udyog Sangh, HIV-positive girls associated with Ashraya made 64,000 masks and donated them to civil hospitals and ART centres.

Nagaratna today stands as a symbol of courage. Forced into marriage at 16 and living with HIV since then, guiding hundreds of people, her journey redefines survival.

AWARDS

In recognition of her contribution to society, Nagaratna has been honoured with Child Welfare Award by the Women and Child Welfare Department (Government of Karnataka), Mahila Sadhaki Award by Shree Kshetra Dharmasthala, Women Achievers Award by Central GST Department, Real Hero Award by Zee TV, Nari Narayani Award by Public TV Bengaluru, Spurtiya Chilume Award by Karnataka Qatar Sangh and Mahila Manikya Award by News First Channel of Bengaluru

Nagaratna being felicitated for social work; JN Medical College organises health awareness and check-up camp for 'daughters' of Ashraya Foundation in Belagavi

College students on the premises of Ashraya Foundation in Belagavi

70% PROGRESS

Rao: Yelahanka flyover work to be completed by Sept-end

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@Bengaluru

THE Chief Commissioner of Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA), M Maheshwar Rao, directed officials to ensure that the Yelahanka flyover project is completed by the end of September 2026. Rao emphasised that the land for which relinquished deeds have been issued by the civic body must be taken into custody and fenced. While inspecting localities in Bengaluru North City Corporation limits on Saturday, he said that the 2-km-long flyover on Doddaballapur Main Road has achieved about 70% progress. "Officials must ensure that contractors complete the remaining works within the stipulated timeline in September 2026," he said. "Out of the total 56 pillars, 51 pillars have already been completed, and the remaining five need construction. Of the 447 segments, 351 segments have already been erected, and 96 segments are still pending. Construction is done only during the night as the road experiences continuous vehicular movement in the day" he added.

Rao also spoke about the white topping work on a 5-km stretch of the Hennur-Bagalur Road. He said that on one side of the road, the white topping is complete for 4 km. The remaining 1 km must be completed in 15 days. White topping on the other side will be taken up within one month. The railway underbridge (RUB) work at Yelahanka is completed on one side, including box pushing. Work on the other side has stalled midway due to land acquisition issues. He instructed officials to resolve the railway land-related issues and complete the remaining work at the earliest. He also directed that steps be taken to widen the road.

Kogilu evictees told to submit papers for verification again

MOHAMMED YACOOB @Bengaluru

ABOUT 40 days after the demolition of their homes at Kogilu for encroaching government land meant for a comprehensive waste management plant, housing department officials called 164 slum dwellers to Haj Bhavan on Thursday. They were asked to submit their documents, including bank passbook, domicile certificate, income and caste certificate, ration card, Aadhaar and voter ID Card.

The dwellers said all the necessary documents were provided during surveys held earlier for homes under the Rajiv Gandhi Housing Corporation Limited at Byappanahalli near Chagaletti. The housing department also helped the dwellers apply for houses under the Ashraya Yojana.

A senior official from the housing department said that over 200 applications have been received for houses under the Rajiv Gandhi Housing Corporation Limited and some are from Kogilu. But many slum dwellers from Fakeer Colony and surroundings are not applying for the scheme. All the poor can apply for houses under Ashraya Yojana and the Ashraya Committee decides based on the documents to allot houses.

"They did not know how to apply under the Ashraya Yojana. As there were over 150 dwellers, they were asked to come to Haj Bhavan. The facility was used to help them apply online for the scheme. We have not given them any assurance. The committee will verify the documents," said the official.

As temperature dips at night, residents of Kogilu keep warm around a bonfire after their houses were demolished during a recent GBA drive | KEVIN NASHON

52 kg rice cooked to feed over 250 people

Fearing that the government may barricade the area once they leave the site, the dwellers continue to live in the contentious area next to the debris and erected tents. The NGO, Dhudiyo Janara Vedike, and a few activists have been funding their food. "Every day, 52 kg of rice is cooked, and curry is prepared to serve the dwellers one time a day," said Shazia from Vedike.

PRR farmers to launch legal battle over BDA aid

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THE Peripheral Ring Road (PRR) Raitha Haagu Niveshanadarara Sangha (PRR Farmers and Site Owners Association) has called upon its members to initiate a mass legal action against the Bangalore Development Authority (BDA), opposing the manner in which the authority is proceeding with the Peripheral Ring Road project, particularly the disbursement of compensation.

At a meeting held on Saturday to address concerns and to clarify doubts related to compensation, association president Srinivas Mavallipura said BDA is going ahead with compensation payouts despite farmers' long-standing demand for a comprehensive rehabilitation framework.

"While our demand for a rehabilitation law remains unresolved, all members of our association will file cases against BDA, seeking either cancellation of the project, implementation in accordance with the Central government's Land Acquisition Act, 2013, or the issuance of no-objection certificates (NOCs)," he said.

Mavallipura noted that a few landowners were voluntarily parting with their land, but clarified that this was limited to cases involving small landholdings. Alleging coercive practices, he claimed that BDA officials were misleading farmers with false assurances and pressuring them to sign "settlement" letters.

"Despite hundreds of cases pending before the High Court, BDA officials are acting with disregard for the judiciary and attempting to suppress farmers through unethical means. We will discuss bringing these instances to the court's notice," he said.

The association reiterated that it rejects all five compensation options offered by BDA and demanded that compensation be determined strictly under the provisions of the 2013 Act. At the same time, it clarified that farmers are not opposed to the PRR project itself, but are resisting what they described as unfair and inadequate compensation.

EXPRESS READ

Civic body seals 8 PGs, imposes ₹3 lakh penalty

Bengaluru: The Bengaluru Central City Corporation (BCCC), under the GBA, has cracked down on PG accommodations for non-compliance with hygiene, licensing and other mandatory norms. Notices have been issued to 574 PG units, while eight establishments were shut down for poor hygiene. According to BCCC Commissioner Rajendra Cholan, inspections have been carried out since January 2026 across all operational PG accommodations in the Shantinagar, CV Raman Nagar, Gandhinagar, Shivajinagar, Chamarajapete and Chickpet Assembly constituencies to verify compliance with prescribed guidelines. Cholan said, "Penalties amounting to ₹3 lakh were imposed in January for other violations and deficiencies." PG accommodation owners have been directed to strictly comply with essential guidelines, including the provision of safe drinking water, maintenance of kitchen hygiene, safety measures, adequate toilet facilities, fire safety equipment and installation of CCTV cameras.

Govt school wins Wipro Earthian Award 2025

Bengaluru: Government Higher Primary School, Maragondanahalli, Bengaluru, has been named one of the winners of the 15th edition of the Wipro Earthian Awards 2025 for its project on water conservation. The annual programme recognises schools and colleges across India for sustained engagement with sustainability education and real-world environmental practices. The school's project examined water usage, wastage, quality and conservation across the campus, students' homes and the surrounding village. Over three months, students conducted surveys and interviews, carried out water-quality testing, studied five local water sources and documented existing protection measures. They also assessed rainwater-harvesting potential, designed a drip-irrigation system for the school garden, and developed a sustainable water-use roadmap for the community.

SACRED MOMENT

Vidhushekhara Bharati Swamiji, successor of Bharati Tirtha Swamiji of Sringeri Sharada Peetham, at Viveka Deepti, a Dakshinamurthy Stotram chanting event, at Palace Grounds in Bengaluru on Saturday | EXPRESS

Transport bodies urge state govt to challenge HC order on bike taxis

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

THE Federation of Karnataka State Private Transport Associations has urged the State government to challenge the recent High Court order favouring bike taxi operations, citing serious concerns over public safety, legal interpretation and transport policy.

Referring to accident data from the police department and medical opinions from doctors at the NIMHANS, the federation said two-wheelers account for the highest share of road accidents, with nearly 70–85% of total crashes involving motorcycles. Owing to the absence of structural protection, enclosures or crash safety systems, injuries in such accidents are often severe or fatal, making motorcycles unsafe for commercial passenger transport, it argued. The federation also cited Supreme Court rulings, including Mithilesh Garg vs Union of India (1992) and the Jai Prakash Transport cases, which held that transport permits are not a fundamental right but a statutory privilege subject to government regulation in the public interest. It further referred to judgments such as BALCO Employees' Union and Narmada Bachao Andolan, in which the apex court observed that courts should not interfere in policy matters.

Warning that unchecked bike taxi operations could endanger lives, the federation said they would also strain enforcement mechanisms and adversely affect the livelihoods of regulated auto, taxi and bus operators.

A man, his wife and their daughter were injured after a leopard attacked them at Chunchanahalli village in Nanjangud taluk, Mysuru on Friday. The injured are Nanjundaswamy, his wife and their daughter. They were travelling in their bike to their farmland along the Chunchanahalli–Konanur Road when the leopard attacked them. They fell onto the road during the incident and sustained injuries

What made Roy end life? Realty firm seeks probe

Complainant urges cops to look at circumstances leading to suicide

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

WHAT made chairman of Confident Group, CJ Roy, to pull the trigger on himself on Friday afternoon? In a complaint filed with Ashok Nagar police station, TA Joseph, Managing Director of Confident Group, demanded a thorough probe in to the circumstances that led to the businessman's death.

In his five-page complaint, Joseph has stated that around 3 pm on Friday, Roy arrived at the office on Langford Road along with him. Roy had come to give a statement to the Income-Tax department officials.

"Roy went to his cabin. A little later, Roy informed me that he wished to speak to his mother and I went outside. After about 10 minutes, when I returned, the security person informed me that Roy had instructed them not to allow anyone to enter his cabin. Again after 10 minutes, I went to the cabin and knocked on the door, but there was no response. We then broke open the door and entered the cabin. Upon entering the cabin, we found Roy sitting in his chair with blood on his shirt. We immediately called for an ambulance and he was shifted to Narayana Hospital in HSR Layout," the complaint stated.

The complainant sought a detailed investigation into the matter to ascertain what pressure would have made Roy to take the extreme step.

'Roy shot himself in chest with right hand'

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ROY reportedly used his licensed NP bore 0.25 pistol to shoot himself. Police officials, who seized the weapon, sent it to the Forensic Science Laboratory (FSL) for detailed examination.

On Saturday, the postmortem was conducted at the Bowring Hospital mortuary. After the procedure, Dr MN Aravind, a doctor from Bowring Hospital, told the media that the bullet which entered the left side of Roy's chest was lodged inside the body without exiting. The 6.35 millimetre bullet damaged Roy's heart, lower lung and diaphragm. The gunshot wound caused Roy's death, he said.

Ballistic experts after examining the scene of crime confirmed that Roy shot himself in the chest with his right hand. The bullet has also been sent to FSL. The police recorded the statements of Roy's brother CJ Babu and Roy's son Rohith Roy. Roy's wife and children visited the mortuary on Saturday morning.

An Unnatural Death Report has been registered at the Ashok Nagar police station.

Police deployed outside Bowring Hospital mortuary where the body of Confident Group Chairman CJ Roy was kept | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

I-T raids took place in December

Home Minister G Parameshwara told reporters that the Income-Tax department had raided Roy's office in December, 2025. "Since they had a deadline to file a chargesheet by February 4, Roy had returned from Dubai three days ago. The IT officials were at his office to record his statement. Roy, who went inside his cabin saying only for five minutes, did not return even after 20 minutes. When the doors were broken open, it was found that he had shot himself," Parameshwara said.

3RD INCIDENT IN RECENT TIMES

Mysterious blast injures 6 in Bidar dist

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bidar

AT least six people, including four children, were seriously injured after an unidentified object exploded in Molakera village, Humnabad taluk of Bidar district on Saturday. This is the third such incident in the village in recent times.

Official sources said the condition of two of the injured -- Anwar Jamir Sab (19) and Jabbar Razak (60) -- is critical. The other four injured children have been identified as Busera Alauddin (4), Areez Razak Sab (4), Arzan Razak (7) and Mastan Musa (8). They were given first-aid at the Humnabad Government Hospital and then shifted to Mallareddy Hospital in the neighbouring Hyderabad for further treatment.

A few months ago, a school student had lost his leg in a similar explosion. He had stepped on an object and it exploded. Several villagers said that even last week, they heard a loud noise. "This is the third explosion in Morakera in recent times. The police and local officials are yet to ascertain the reason behind repeated blasts," a source said.

Bidar SP Pradip Gunti and other officials visit the blast site on Saturday | EXPRESS

A team of officials visited the accident spot and gathered information from different sources. Chemical substances were found at the blast site and it is suspected that the explosion may have been caused by empty hydrogen peroxide and thinner tins that had been dumped at the spot after a nearby house was painted. A team of officials collected several objects at the site, sources said.

Kalaburagi IGP Shantanu Sinha visited the village and held a discussion with Bidar SP Pradeep Gunte. Bidar Deputy Commissioner Shilpa Sharma met the injured at Hyderabad Mallareddy Hospital.

Expressing shock, Bidar district in-charge Minister Eshwar B Khandre ordered an immediate and comprehensive investigation. He directed the district administration to ensure prompt and appropriate medical treatment for all the injured and to bear the entire cost of their treatment.

He instructed the superintendent of police to rush to the spot along with an explosives testing expert to collect samples from the blast site and examine the nature of the explosion. He sought a detailed probe into the cause of the blast, the material used, how the explosive substance came to be at the location and the purpose for which it was placed there.

Emphasising that public safety cannot be compromised, Khandre directed officials to fix responsibility and initiate strict legal action against those found guilty. Security in the area has been tightened as investigations continue, while the incident has triggered fear and concern among local residents, particularly parents of school-going children.

Lifestyle changes, long screen exposure reasons for uptick in dry eye disease

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

DRY Eye Disease (DED) is emerging as a significant and underdiagnosed public health concern, increasingly affecting all age groups according to experts speaking at the 3rd Dry Eye and Ocular Surface Society (DEOSS) Congress held here on Saturday.

Dr Rohit Shetty, Chairman of Narayana Nethralaya, highlighted that nearly 30 per cent of his daily practice now involves dry eye patients. "Earlier, dry eye was considered an adult condition, but lifestyle changes, prolonged screen exposure, pollution, and systemic conditions have expanded its prevalence," he said.

Dr Shetty emphasised the importance of personalised treatment guided by tear biomarkers, which help detect inflammation, underlying systemic causes, and guide therapy. AI-based tools can further identify responders and non-responders, optimise drug combinations, and predict potential complications." Dr Ananth Bhandary, President-Elect of the Karnataka Ophthalmic Society stressed that simple tissue or unmedicated wipes are not sufficient, and suggested medicated wipes containing castor oil, coconut oil, and tea tree oil to reduce inflammation and infection.

He noted that pollution, air-conditioning, and excessive screen use, contribute to the rising prevalence of DED. Experts warned that while lubricating drops provide temporary relief, targeted anti-inflammatory and anti-infective therapy is crucial. Improper treatment or overuse of antibiotics can lead to resistance and worsen outcomes. Early intervention is key to prevent complications such as keratoconus progression and impaired surgical results.

Cops suspect suffocation

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HE then saw all his four friends were motionless. Of the four, two were dead in the sitting position. Ajay immediately called the shed owner, Chota Saab, and informed him about the incident, the police said.

"There was no ventilation in the shed. We suspect that the victims died of suffocation after inhaling the gas that could have leaked from the LPG cylinder. We are awaiting the postmortem report to ascertain the exact cause of the death," the police said.

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8	Last date/ time for receipt of bids in the portal	:	Dt.17.02.2026 up to 5.30 PM.
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Sd/- Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, Special Division, Shimoga.

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ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ–ಹರಿಹರ ನಗರಾಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ, ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಡಿ.ದೇವರಾಜ ಅರಸು ಬಡಾವಣೆ, 'ಎ' ಬ್ಲಾಕ್, ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ–06

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ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

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ವಾಸಾಇ/ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ/700/ಕೆಎಸ್ಎಂಸಿಎ/2025–26

ಸಹಿ/– ಆಯುಕ್ತರು, ದಾ–ಹ ನಗರಾಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ, ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ.

The State Government has revised the fee to be reimbursed for in-house dialysis services in government health centres in Kalaburagi division under the PM's National Dialysis Programme. As per an order issued on Saturday, the fee per dialysis cycle has been increased from Rs 1,000 to Rs 1,500 for the in-house model

AT DAVOS....

K'taka builds ₹1.5 lakh cr investment pipeline

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THE State Government said that it has advanced a strong pipeline of investments and partnerships worth over Rs 1.5 lakh crore following its participation in the World Economic Forum (WEF) at Davos 2026, where the state held more than 45 strategic engagements over four days, and consciously no MoUs were signed.

Industries Minister MB Patil said that Karnataka had decided not to sign MoUs at Davos, and instead the delegation held engagements with over 25 international and 15 Indian companies across key sectors including aerospace and defence, advanced manufacturing, clean energy, data centres, space technology, life sciences, beverages and food processing. The engagements included bilateral meetings with global firms, academic institutions, World Economic Forum leadership and government-to-government discussions with Singapore and Liechtenstein.

He also said that Karnataka has secured about Rs 1.1 lakh crore in fresh investments over the last 11 months, following the Global Investors Meet (GIM) 2025. Of this, Rs 66,293 crore is from manufacturing and industrial projects, Rs 20,913 crore from renewable energy, Rs 12,500 crore from Global Capability Centres (GCCs) and Rs 6,350 crore from data centres. Patil also highlighted progress in converting investment commitments into execution. Of the Rs 10.27 lakh crore worth of MoUs signed at GIM 2025, around 50% have already moved into on-ground investment filings with Karnataka Udyog Mitra within a year, with manufacturing projects showing nearly 60% conversion.

EXCEPT KKRDB, ABOLISH ALL OTHER REGIONAL DEVPT BOARDS: PANEL

The committee headed by Prof Govinda Rao found N Karnataka still lagging in development

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Prof M Govinda Rao, chairman of High Power Committee on Redressal of Regional Imbalance, submits the final report to CM Siddaramaiah in Bengaluru on Saturday

THE High Power Committee on Redressal of Regional Imbalance (HPCRRI), chaired by economist Prof M Govinda Rao, has recommended the abolition of all regional development boards, except for the Kalyana Karnataka Regional Development Board (KKRDB).

The committee found North Karnataka still lagging in development, and recommended allocating Rs 43,914 crore focusing on human development, education, healthcare, nutrition, and skill development. All the recommended expenditure should be in addition to the regular departmental budgets and it should be shown under separate budget heads, it stressed.

With the abolition of the boards, the money through the budget should be channelised through the zilla panchayats for effective-result oriented programmes, the committee stressed.

Constituted by the Karnataka government in March 2024, the committee submitted its report to Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on Saturday. Siddaramaiah asked the committee to make a presentation on February 11 before tabling it in the budget session of the state legislature.

It further said that the regional development boards set up on the basis of the report of economist Dr DM Nanjundappa have not yielded the desired development. They include the Malnad Area Development Board, established in 1991, for the comprehensive development of 13 districts of the Malnad region. The Bayaluseeme Development Board (set up in 1994) for the development of 12 districts. They have made no expected progress or impact, it noted.

Almost all the taluks in Kalyana Karnataka figured as the most backward followed by Kittur Karnataka (Bombay Karnataka region).

Not a single taluk of the Old Mysuru region has been identified as the most backward albeit some of them ranked as backward and more backward, the report read.

"Karnataka, which has the 10th highest per capita National Gross Domestic Product (NSDP), suffers from regional disparities. Development is concentrated

only in Bengaluru and Mysuru divisions. The service sector has not transformed in line with social development or equitable income distribution. North Karnataka is severely lagging behind," the report noted, adding that backwardness is again concentrated in North Karnataka with Kalaburagi and Belagavi divisions having the highest.

All of the 59 most backward taluks identified in the state are in North Karnataka and in contrast, the developed taluks are only in Mysuru and Bengaluru divisions.

The Govinda Rao Committee assessed the implementation of the recommendations of the Dr D M Nanjundappa Committee and subsequent Special Development Schemes. The report stated that although substantial funds were allocated, implementation was poor. The money was not judiciously spent and lost focus on the results, it said.

Beyond infrastructure inputs, the committee has adopted a dual-index approach. The outcome index measures real development in living standards, income, poverty, health and education. The infrastructure index measures the primary, secondary, tertiary, economic and social sectors. This helps identify whether the lag is due to lack of resources or inefficient use.

The committee suggested that welfare schemes under Kalyana Karnataka Regional Development Board be thoroughly examined. Active advisory, implementation and expert committees should be set up. Projects should be prioritised based on social cost-benefit analysis and Ad hoc projects should be avoided, it said.

It recommended strengthening decentralised planning, empowering ZPs for better formulation, monitoring and evaluation of district plans, and revitalising the State Planning Department.

The committee, comprising member secretary senior IAS officer Vishal R, Sangeeta Kattimani of Kalaburagi, Prof Bagalkot of Karnatak University Dharwad, retired IAS officer LK Atheeq and MS Suryanarayan, held meetings in all the regional headquarters of the state with all stakeholders and officials.

WHAT IT SAYS...

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- Fill all vacant teaching posts at a cost of Rs 12,444 crore
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- Strengthening PHCs/CHCs (Rs 11,770 cr)
- Nutrition to combat anaemia (Rs 1,000 cr)
- Complete projects such as Upper Bhadra, focus on water harvesting, market access, refrigeration and strengthening FPOs (Rs 12,000)
- Industrial incentives should be revised to double the subsidy in 'most backward' taluks
- Develop industrial clusters and parks (Rs 2,000cr)
- Tourist circuits should be developed aggressively with promotion (Rs 1,000cr)
- Special attention should be paid in developing Bidar as a heritage-tourism-industrial hub. Infrastructure in other major towns should be improved, and road/rail/air connectivity in backward areas should be increased (Rs 2,950cr)

A sigh of relief for CM, but govt needs to put its act together

THINGS seem to be falling in place for embattled Chief Minister Siddaramaiah. Political developments in the last few days put the leadership issue on the back burner, while the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) site allocation case appears to have come full circle.

With Congress's all-out campaign against the Viksit Bharat Guarantee for Rozgar and Aajeevika Mission-(Gramin) Act (VB-G RAM G Act) and other exigent developments, necessitating Congress top leadership's undivided attention, the leadership issue seems to be subdued.

A series of developments on governance and political fronts, including the party's fight against the new Act, upcoming state budget, assembly elections in neighbouring Kerala, Tamil Nadu and other states, and local body polls in Karnataka, would hardly give scope for effecting any major changes in the government or the party, unless Congress is prepared to play a high-risk game. And that is quite unlikely, given the significance of the upcoming assembly elections in four states and the Union territory of Puducherry for the party that is struggling to retain its ground in many states, and the central role the Karnataka Congress plays in the party's national politics.

Amid the constantly evolving political developments, the relief in the MUDA case has bolstered Siddaramaiah's position within the government and the party. His image had taken a dent after the Governor granted permission to Snehamayi Krishna, a Mysuru-based social activist, to initiate prosecution against him. Although the government took the Lok Bhavan (Raj Bhavan) head on, the Governor's decision was upheld by the High Court. The CM's wife returned 14 sites allotted to her by the MUDA in a posh locality in Mysuru. While the opposition had termed it as an admission of guilt and even took out a padayatra from Bengaluru to Mysuru, the Congress had claimed that it was an attempt to tarnish Siddaramaiah's image.

Eventually, Lokayukta Police, which investigated the case, gave a clean chit to the CM and his family, and earlier this week, a Special Court for the trial of criminal cases against sitting and former MPs/MLAs, accepted its 'B Report' or Closure Report.

While the petitioner may pursue the legal battle, the CM's supporters feel justice has been done. For now, it is a major relief, especially given the timing, as Siddaramaiah recently surpassed former CM Devaraj Urs' record of being the longest-serving Karnataka Chief Minister and is now looking to better his own record by presenting the 17th budget. In 2023, by presenting his 14th budget, the Congress leader had surpassed former CM Ramakrishna Hegde's record of presenting 13 state budgets.

Records aside, the preparation for the next budget has already started, and it will gather pace after the Union Budget is presented by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Sunday, and after the ongoing legislature session concludes on February 4. The State Government has placed several demands before the 16th Finance Commission and the Union Government and called for corrective fiscal measures.

The state government has also urged the Centre to reconsider the VB-G RAM G scheme design, restore the demand-driven employment scheme and provide adequate uncapped funding, as the new cost-sharing method would increase the burden on the state government. While all eyes will be on the Sunday's Union budget announcements, the Congress government has extended the legislature session till February 4 to discuss the new Act in detail and it could pass a resolution urging the

Centre to repeal it and restore MGNREGA. The debate is expected to be acrimonious.

The political fight would stretch well beyond the discussions in the assembly, as Congress and the BJP-JDS are planning a series of campaigns. The party under Deputy Chief Minister and State Congress president DK Shivakumar's leadership would take up the campaign against the new Act, and the CM would focus on budget preparation and effectively using it to further consolidate his position within the government and the party.

Siddaramaiah may have got relief in the MUDA case, but his government continues to face serious allegations over corruption, including an alleged multi-crore scam in the Excise department in issuing new permits and licences. Opposition is demanding minister R B Timmapur's resignation and a CBI probe. Also, Home Minister G Parameshwara expressing helplessness in curbing illegal sand mining has put the government in a spot, and Karnataka High Court has taken a serious note of it.

Siddaramaiah may have had the last laugh, but his government still needs to put its act together.

Guv sends hate speech bill for President's consideration

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KARNATAKA Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot has reserved the contentious Karnataka Hate Speech and Hate Crime (Prevention) Bill, 2025, for the consideration of the President of India. Emphasising the need for more deliberations to ascertain the palpable constitutionality of the Bill, the Governor stated, "...I hereby exercising the powers under Articles 200, 201 and 254 of the Constitution of India, reserve the subject bill LA No 79/2025 i.e., The Karnataka Hate Speech and Hate Crime (Prevention) Bill, 2025 (Bill No 79 of 2025) for the kind consideration and assent of Her Excellency, the President of India."

The Bill was passed in the winter session of the state legislature in Belagavi in December last year. In the communication sent to the State Government, the Governor said there is no doubt that hate speech is harmful to society. "But killing freedom in the name of preventing hatred is not the solution. In a free society, the answer to hatred should be 'free speech,' not 'dictatorial laws.' Education, culture, and awareness should be used to combat hate speech," he said.

The Bill defines hate speech as any expression causing injury or disharmony against a person or group based on religion, race, caste, gender, sexual orientation, place of birth, or disability. It introduces organisational accountability, where persons in positions of responsibility can be held guilty if hate speech is linked to their organisation, and empowers the State Government to block or remove hateful content online, addressing the digital propagation of hate speech.

The Lok Bhavan received 40 representations against the proposed Bill with detailed explanations about its effects.

One of the criticisms was that it was passed by the Assembly and Council without meaningful consultation with civil society organisations, media bodies, digital rights groups, or constitutional experts, as well as elected representatives.

The Governor also took into consideration some of the legal issues, including existing Central frameworks and occupied fields; vagueness, overbreadth, and chilling effect (Article 19(1)(A); proportionality and procedural safeguards (Article 19 and 21); equality and manifest arbitrariness (Article 14), and repugnancy, legislative competence, and federal balance.

"The vitality of a democratic society depends on the freedom of expression enjoyed by its citizens. Democracy is not just about voting; it is a system of respecting differences of opinion, questioning authority, and having free dialogue. But many times, in history, laws brought in the name of 'social security' and 'harmony' have taken away this fundamental right of the citizens. The 'Karnataka Hate Speech and Hate Crimes (Prevention) Bill-2025' proposed by the Karnataka Government is a harbinger of such a serious predicament. The legal framework of this Bill, its ambiguities, and its possible long-term effects on democracy need to be properly analysed by the intellectual community," the Governor stated.

It was also noted that the definition given to 'hate speech' or 'hate crime' in the Bill is very broad and vague. "Constitutional morality and non-bailable detention, the quantum of punishment imposed under the Bill is shocking. The provisions of imprisonment of 7 years in the first instance, and 10 years in the second instance and non-bailable detention make this law more repressive, the Governor stated.

"Karnataka is a home of intellectual movements. Literature and thought here have always questioned the status quo. From the tradition of Vachana to modern literature, everything has been a source of criticism and has tried to improve society. But this bill could hinder such an intellectual tradition. The protection of freedom of expression should not be limited to just one individual or community, but should be a collective right of the entire society," the Governor stated.

FOR A CAUSE

Students and specially-abled persons participate in the 19th Bengaluru Walkathon under the theme 'Health for all' in Bengaluru on Saturday | KEVIN NASHON

Jayamala marks second term as KFCC president

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SENIOR actress **Jayamala** was elected president of the Karnataka Film Chamber of Commerce (KFCC) after a decisive victory in the elections held on Saturday. She defeated former KFCC president BM Harish in a closely watched contest. She received 512 out of 843 votes cast.

This is Jayamala's second term as KFCC president, and she first served in 2008. The Kannada film industry welcomed her election, with many expressing excitement about her return to a leadership role. Jayamala is known for her long-standing contributions to Kannada cinema. She brings valuable experience and a personal connection to the community she will represent, they said. The election saw enthusiastic participation from actors, producers, distributors, exhibitors, and technicians. Prominent figures like Shivarajkumar, Dhananjaya and Ashwini Puneeth Rajkumar were among those who voted, highlighting the event's significance. Along with the president, other key positions in the Chamber were also decided. Sundar Raj (producer), K Manju (distributor), and Kishore (exhibitor) were elected honorary vice-presidents. The secretary positions went to A Ganesh (producer), Ramesh (distributor), and Ashok (exhibitor), while Jayasimha Musuri was elected treasurer. In her brief address, Jayamala thanked the voters and organisers. She emphasised her commitment to improving the Chamber.

With her return, the film industry anticipates new energy and a renewed focus on the Chamber's initiatives. Jayamala's experience as an actress and her deep understanding of the industry will help promote collaboration, support filmmakers, and tackle important issues affecting the community, industry representatives said.

Hundi collection at Kollur Temple hits ₹1.39cr in Jan

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THE famous Kollur Sri Mookambika Temple in Udupi district recorded a hundi collection of ₹1.39 crore in January alone, excluding the last two days. The temple also received 350 grams of gold and 1,670 grams of silver as offerings. The collection in December 2025 was ₹1.64 crore, and 695 grams of gold and 2,985 grams of silver.

In all, the collection of ₹3.03 crore in the last two months is a record of sorts, informed sources said. Holiday season and other festivities in the last two months saw a big rise in footfall at the temple.

According to officials at the temple the temple witnessed a minimum of 15,000 devotees daily for the last three months.

"The collections are calculated on any one of the dates, like 27th, 28th or 29th of the month. Usually, collections during November and December will be high. Earlier, the monthly collection used to be around ₹75 lakh, but from past six months, it has been crossing the Rs 1 crore mark," President of the management committee of the temple told *TNSE*.

EXPRESS READ

KISAN MORCHA TO STAGE ALL-INDIA YATRA SEEKING MSP GUARANTEE ACT

BENGALURU: Samyukta Kisan Morcha will conduct a 40-day awareness yatra starting from Kanniyakumari on February 7 to demand a Minimum Support Price Guarantee Act. Morcha leader Kuruburu Shanthakumar said the yatra will end in New Delhi on March 19 by submitting a memorandum to the PM. The yatra will run through Kerala, Puducherry, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, and Andhra Pradesh, then proceeding to North Indian states, reaching Kashmir. "Farmers and leaders during the yatra will collect signatures from the public seeking a MSP Guarantee Act for agricultural products," he said. The Morcha, a non-political farmers' body, is protesting at the Delhi border every year and has warned the Centre over its alleged anti-farmers' action.

MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar accused the Mysuru police and the State Home Department of failing to detect and act against a drug network, despite the Narcotics Control Bureau seizing drugs worth 10 crore from a manufacturing unit in Hebbal, Mysuru. He demanded the formation of a special team and said the CM should personally monitor the city to make it drug-free

Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara and DGP (Prisons) Alok Kumar at the Central Command Centre after its inauguration in Bengaluru on Saturday | VINOD KUMAR T

Command Centre to monitor jails

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

HOME Minister G Parameshwara on Saturday inaugurated a newly established Central Command Centre to facilitate swift inspections and follow up actions, preserve evidence, enable real-time monitoring and ensure coordination with other prisons whenever illegal activities are detected in correctional centres.

The unit will function from the office of the director general of police (DGP) and the director general of prisons and correctional services on Sheshadri Road in Gandhinagar.

"The command centre will monitor 1,076 CCTV cameras installed in eight central prisons (Bengaluru, Mysuru, Shivamogga, Ballari, Dharwad, Belagavi, Kalaburagi and Vijayapura) and four district prisons (Mangaluru, Tumakuru, Bengaluru South and Chamarajanagar). Soon, this will be extended to all district and taluk prisons. In the Bengaluru Central Prison at Parappana Agrahara, 332 CCTV cameras have been integrated with Artificial Intelligence-based Intrusion Detection Systems (IDS), crowd analysis and prisoner and staff movement monitoring. The command centre is monitored round the clock by 20 personnel," Parameshwara said. All untoward incidents observed during CCTV surveillance at the Central Command Center are being recorded in a register. The Superintendent of Prisons at the Head Office has been appointed as the Nodal Officer. Instructions are issued to the prison superintendents in case of any untoward incident, to take immediate action and submit a report to the head office. A daily summary of such incidents is being obtained during the lock-up and unlock times of prisons.

"The entire jail staff will be cautious henceforth because of the command centre. Bengaluru Central Prison is always in the news as photographs and videos keep surfacing and with the command center, such illegal activities could be stopped," the home minister said.

DG & IGP MA Saleem, DGP (Prisons & Correctional Services) Alok Kumar and other senior officers were present at the inauguration of the centre.

Father-son duo gets 3-yr RI in Belekeri scam

YATHIRAJU @Bengaluru

A father and son duo was sentenced to three years of rigorous imprisonment with a fine of Rs 52.30 lakh, along with a fine of Rs 25,000 on their partnership firm after charges of illegal transportation of iron ore from the Belekeri port was proven at the Special Court for trial of cases under the Prevention of Corruption Act.

On Friday, Special Court Judge KM Radhakrishna sentenced H Sajjad Vahab, his father H Abdul Vahab and Sameera Trading Company at Hospet for offences under IPC and Mines and Minerals (Development Regulation) Act. The judge said such illegal activities pose a serious threat to the environment, compelling citizens to face natural disasters and affecting the nation's economy and that stringent punishment may prevent such offences.

Judge Radhakrishna objected to the conduct of the Special Investigation Team (SIT) of Karnataka Lokayukta for dropping the names of officials of different departments and filing a chargesheet against only three convicted accused for illegal transportation of 1,923 metric tonne of stolen iron ore between 2009 and 2010 to Belekeri port from their stockyard.

> **Inordinate delay and poor investigation by incompetent and inexperienced officers are serious lapses that have let off the real culprits from their criminal liabilities amounting to true injustice.**
> KM Radhakrishna, Special Court Judge

On the statement of the GST superintendent from the Customs Department recorded during the trial, the judge stated that the illegal transportation of iron ore is highly impossible without the 'blessings' of officials from the Department of Mines and Geology, Forest, Revenue, Commercial Tax, Transport, Port and Customs authorities, including the service providers. He said this is the reason the state is losing crores of rupees.

"The failure of SIT and its negligence to identify the real culprit officials, mining owners and traders is unfortunate. I do not understand why the officers are not investigating the possible involvement of these departments in the crimes. As observed by this court in many cases, they used to give the go-by to the prime accused and 'bless' the official culprits. The officers themselves were found destroying the evidence, delaying the investigation by 10 to 15 years stating various reasons," the judge said.

1st marine dolphin study soon

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

WHILE there have been studies on river dolphins, the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (MOEFCC), Wildlife Institute of India (WII) and coastal states will undertake the first-ever marine dolphin study.

Scientists from WII will conduct the study in two phases. In the first phase, they have listed 10 zones where dolphin tourism and other protection measures are already being undertaken. The list includes Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra, Karnataka, Odisha, Gujarat, Goa, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Lakshadweep, and the Andaman Islands.

India's coastline now measures 11,098.81 km in 2025, up from 7,515.6 km. Dolphins inhabit about 7,000 km.

The MOEFCC will study coastal and dolphin boundaries together, excluding estuaries and remote areas, as part of its national study. The estimated cost of the study is around Rs 27crore and will begin soon after MOEFCC sanction the order. Until then, each state has started their assessment of the species.

"These locations are listed based on dolphin sightings and the limited developmental activities in the regions" a MOEFCC official said.

Chinmaya Ghanekar, scientist-C, WII, specialising in marine ecology, said, this detailed study is being undertaken for the first time. She added that a five-year study project is being undertaken. "To further ease the method, regions are being divided. Forest departments, locals and other stakeholders from each region are being roped in for the study," she said.

Members of EAAL and CSIR-NAL with the signed ToT agreement | EXPRESS

ToT pact with CSIR-NAL for multi-copter drones: EAAL

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

EIL Arms & Ammunition Limited (EAAL) has signed a Transfer of Technology (ToT) agreement with CSIR–National Aerospace Laboratories (NAL), Bengaluru, on multi-copter drones at Wings India 2026. The agreement will strengthen EAAL's product portfolio by adding indigenous multi-copter drone technology developed by CSIR-NAL.

Narendra Singh Thakur, Director, EIL Arms & Ammunition Limited, said EAAL was privileged to sign the ToT agreement for CSIR-NAL's multi-copter drones and looked forward to consolidating the technology into its business portfolio. He said the drones would be deployed for applications in both civilian and strategic sectors in the coming years.

Developed by CSIR-NAL, the multi-copter drones, ranging from quadcopters, hexacopters, dual hexacopters and octocopters, are suitable for societal applications such as agriculture and last-mile delivery of medical aid, apart from surveillance and other strategic uses.

Land acquisition: HC bench junks trust pleas against single judge order

Bengaluru: A division bench of the High Court of Karnataka has dismissed appeals filed by Jamnalal Bajaj Seva Trust, questioning a single judge's order upholding acquisition of its 276.27 acres of land by the state government in Bengaluru North taluk to set up a market yard by APMC. "The appellants have failed in demonstrating that the order of the learned single judge is in any manner erroneous and liable to be interfered with by this court in the present appeals. The above appeals are dismissed as being devoid of merit," said the division bench of Chief Justice Vibhu Bakhru and Justice CM Poonacha on January 30. The single judge on February 3, 2025, passed the order while disposing of two petitions filed by the trust, questioning the preliminary and final notifications issued by the state government in 1994 and 1996, respectively. **ENS**

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In reference to the above mentioned Tender Notice, the bid submission due date has been extended up to **06.02.2026**.

All other terms and conditions of the tender shall remain unchanged.

Dy.Chief Signal & Telecom Engineer/PRS/ Secunderabad
A2343

For further tender conditions / details and for downloading the tender documents, Please visit website at https://www.ireps.gov.in or www.scr.indianrailways.gov.in

MISSING

AVANI (16) Chithra Bhavan, Piravanthur, Kerala, is missing on 25.09.2025, Punalur Crime 1418/2025, U/s 57 (1) (A) of Kerala Police Act Stands registered regarding the matter. Height:152, Wearing: Blue Pants, White Churidar top. Please, if traced out any information contact: **District Police Chief, Kollam Rural: 9497996908, Asst. Supdt of Police, Punalur: 9497990026, Inspector : 9497987038, Punalur Police Station : 0475-2222700**
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Sd/- CHIF ENGINEER (P&MM)
DIPR R.O.No.1113-PP/CL-AGENCY/ADVT/1/2025-26 Dt:31.01.2026

BENGALURU NORTH CITY CORPORATION
Office of the Executive Engineer, Vidyaranyapura division, BNCC, Bengaluru –97
No: BNCC/EE/VDP-D/KPPP/01/2025-26 Dated : 31.01.2026
SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
Single Cover Tender
(Through GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal only)

Tenders on item rate basis are invited by the undersigned on behalf of the Chief Commissioner, BNCC for the works mentioned below from the registered contractors of Bengaluru North City Corporation, or equivalent registration with CPWD / KPWD / Railways / MES or any State Government Organizations.

Sl.	Name of the Work
1	Removal of silt and other maintenance of road and drains in ward no. 11 Kodigehalli. **Amount put to Tender :** Rs. 24.99 Lakhs, **EMD :** Rs. 45,000.00/-
2	Removal of silt and other maintenance of road and drains in ward no. 12 Doddabommasandra. **Amount put to Tender :** Rs. 24.99 Lakhs, **EMD :** Rs. 45,000.00/-
3	Removal of silt and other maintenance of road and drains in ward no. 13 Vidyaranyapura. **Amount put to Tender :** Rs. 24.99 Lakhs, **EMD :** Rs. 45,000.00/-
4	Removal of silt and other maintenance of road and drains in ward no. 14 Kuvempunagar. **Amount put to Tender :** Rs. 24.99 Lakhs, **EMD :** Rs. 45,000.00/-

Calendar of Events : (1) Tender documents may be downloaded from Government of Karnataka Public Procurement Portal website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in (2)** Availability of Tender documents : **03.02.2026 16.30 Hours** onwords **(3)** Pre bid meeting : **10.02.2026 15.00 hours. (4)** Last Date &Time for receipt of tenders : **13.02.2026 16.00 hours (5)** Date & Time for Opening of Tender : **16.02.2026 16.30 hours (6)** Pre-Bid Meeting will be held at the office of the Executive Engineer Vidyaranyapura Division, No. 582, 1st Main Road, BEL Layout, 2nd Block, Vidyaranyapura, Bengaluru-560097. to clarify the issue and answer questions on any matter that may be raised at the stage as stated in "Instructions to Bidders" of the Bidding document
Sd/- Executive Engineer, Vidyaranyapura Division, Zone-1, BNCC

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WITHDRAWAL OF RECRUITMENT NOTICE FOR THE POST OF DIRECTOR
THIS IS WITH REFERENCE TO THE RECRUITMENT NOTICE NO. IIP-01/2024 PUBLISHED ON 04TH MARCH 2024 IN NATIONAL NEWSPAPERS AND IN EMPLOYMENT NEWS ON 16TH MARCH 2024, INVITING APPLICATIONS FOR FILLING UP THE POST OF DIRECTOR IN THE PAY LEVEL-14 UNDER DIRECT RECRUITMENT.
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Date: 29.01.2026 **Sd/- Regional Head,**
Place: Bengaluru **Bank of Baroda, Bangalore Central**

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POSSESSION NOTICE APPENDIX-IV (RULE 8 (1))
WHEREAS: The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **AXIS BANK LTD,** Under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act , 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued, a demand notice, dated **28.10.2024** calling upon the **(1) M/s.Sambhav Rocks India Private Limited Represented by its Promoters Mr. Bhikamchand Choradia and Mrs.Samta Choradia,** No.461, 8th Main, Vijayanagara, Bangalore-560040. **(2) Mr. Bhikamchand Choradia** S/o. Mr. Choradia Poonamchand **(3) Mrs. Rajudevi Choradia** W/o. B.C.Choradia, **(4) Mrs.Samta Choradia** W/o. Mr. Ronak Choradia, **All are residing at:** No.461/37, Old No.21, New No.30, 1st Phase, Hosahalli, 8th Main, Vijayanagar-560040 **(Borrower/Applicant).** to repay the amount **Rs.2,47,60,706 /- (Rupees Two Crore Forty Seven Lakhs Sixty Thousand Seven Hundred and Six Only)** mentioned in the notice towards the loan account **no's 917030028669814** being the amount due as on **29.02.2024** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.
The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said Act, read with Rule 6 & 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on **30.01.2026.**
The borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **AXIS BANK LTD., Rs.2,47,60,706 /- (Rupees Two Crore Forty Seven Lakhs Sixty Thousand Seven Hundred and Six Only)** being the amount due as on **29.02.2024** and interest thereon.
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DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES
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Date : 30.01.2026 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bangalore **Axis Bank Ltd.**

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No. 1131 /SIHM/2025-26/Recruitment Date: 30.01.2026
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Sl. No	Name of the Post	Scale of Pay as per ORSP-2017	ST	SC	SEBC	UR	Total
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3	Asst. Lecturer	Rs.35,400 – 1,12,400 (Level-9)	01 (Women)	01	01	03 (Women-1, Men-2)	06

The detailed notification along with important dates, experience, qualification, age, other general terms and conditions for filling up online application, and online portal link, please visit the Institute website:**www.sihmbalangir.org (see the link Recruitment)** No personal query will be entertained/canvassing in any form during the recruitment process leads to rejection of the candidature.
Sd/-
Principal

BENGALURU EAST CITY CORPORATION
Office of the Executive Engineer Ramamurthy Nagara Division, NRI Layout Main Road, Near Indira Canteen, Kalkere, Bengaluru-560016.
Tend No: BECC/EE/RMN/TN/03/2025-26 Date: 31.01.2026
SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (TWO COVER SYSTEM)
(Through GoK KPP Portal https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in only)
The Bengaluru East City Corporation (BECC) Ramamurthy Nagara Division invites Request for Proposal from interested persons/firms those who have done similar type of work for Consultancy Services for Project Management including Supervision, Quality control (PMC) for the below work

S.N.	Name of the work
1	Providing PMC Services including Supervision, Quality control for Improvements to drains and Asphalting to ward roads in Ramamurthy Nagara Division-Package-01 (GO. Annexure- 2 sl. no.20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25 & 26) for the year 2025-26. **Project Cost :** Rs. 700.00 Lakhs. **EMD :** Rs.14000/- .
2	Providing PMC Services including Supervision, Quality control for Comprehensive development of drains, footpath and Asphalting to Arterial, Sub-Arterial roads and connecting roads of Ramamurthy Nagara Division-Package No-01 (Annexure-2 GO Sl. No.17, 22, 27 & 31) for the year 2025-26. **Project Cost :** Rs.1310.00 Lakhs. **EMD :** Rs. 26,100/-
3	Providing PMC Services including Supervision, Quality control for Comprehensive development of drains, footpath and Asphalting to Arterial, Sub-Arterial roads and connecting roads of Ramamurthy Nagara Division-Package No-02 (Annexure-2 GO Sl. No.21, 23 & 26) for the year 2025-26. **Project Cost :** Rs.1430.00 Lakhs. **EMD :** Rs. 28,500/-.

Time Schedule/Calendar of events: 1) Tender Document may be downloaded through KPP portal from - 02.02.2026. 2) Pre-bid Meeting : 07.02.2026, 3.00PM at Office of the Executive Engineer R M Nagara Division, NRI Layout Main road, Near Indira Canteen, Kalkere, Bengaluru-560016. 3) Last Date & Time for receipt of Tenders: 10.02.2026 up to 4:00 PM. 4) Opening of Technical bid : 11.02.2026 at 4:30 PM. 5) Validity of Tender : 90 Days from last date of receipts of Tender.
Sd/- Executive Engineer, Ramamurthy Nagara Division

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BJP MP Kota Srinivasa Poojari on Saturday alleged that corruption involving Rs 669 crore has taken place under the Mahatma MGNREGA in Karnataka, and it is recorded in the audit report. He said the state government has so far failed to initiate action against those involved. He also said the West Bengal and Karnataka governments are misleading the public about the VB-G RAM G scheme

Forensic science varsity scientists find traces of drugs at Mysuru unit

Say the set-up found inside plant was not for manufacturing phenyl, cleaning agents

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

THREE days after the arrest of an alleged interstate drug peddler Mahindra Kumar Vishnoi on January 28 in Surat by the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB), Ahmedabad, which led to the busting of a "sophisticated illicit manufacturing unit in the Hebbal Industrial Area in Mysuru", a team of scientists from the National Forensic Science University (NFSU), Gandhinagar visited the 'chemical' manufacturing plant in Mysuru on Saturday. Vishnoi was arrested under the Narcotic Drugs & Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act, 1985.

According to sources, who didn't wish to be named, the forensic scientists reportedly ruled out that it was a phenyl manufacturing unit.

"The setup inside the unit is allegedly not of a chemical cleaner or phenyl manufacturing facility. The NFSU team reportedly found traces of Mephedrone (MD) in the now-sealed unit," said sources.

Vishnoi's car with Karnataka registration was intercepted in Palsana, Surat district, Gujarat, on January 28 by the NCB, Ahmedabad. The search of the vehicle led to the recovery of about 35 kg of MD – banned empathogen – a stimulant drug, also called 'meow meow,' or 'M-CAT,' which is used in recreational settings because of its stimulant effects similar to drugs such as amphetamines (particularly MDMA) and cocaine.

A file photo of the raid at the suspected drug-making unit in Mysuru's Hebbal Industrial Area

On Friday, Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara said the NCB raid on the "phenyl manufacturing unit was only a follow-up to a drug seizure in another state", while categorically ruling out that it was a narcotics manufacturing unit or that any contraband was found in it. Mysuru City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar too had maintained that the NCB 'inspection' was linked to an Ahmedabad drug case and that no machinery or substances related to drug production were present at the unit. The NCB, meanwhile, has arrested Ganpath under the NDPS Act. He ran the controversial chemical plant in Mysuru . He is a resident of Alanahalli and said to be related to Vishnoi.

KEEPING THE RACE ON

A runner with his pair of bullocks competes in the Kambala race in Mangaluru on Saturday. The state government has released Rs 40 lakh to 20 Kambalas in Dakshina Kannada and Udupi districts, said Karnataka State Kambala Association's Udupi unit president Belapu Deviprasad Shetty | PTI

State to push Ayurveda via AYUSH, says Gundu Rao

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Mangaluru

WITH a view to promote and preserve traditional systems of medicine for future generations, the health department is planning a special programme under AYUSH to promote Panchakarma and the wellness concept, which also includes Ayurveda, said Health and Family Welfare Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao.

The minister, who visited the Ayush Habba organised at Dr TMA Pai Convention Centre in Mangaluru on Saturday, said the traditional system of medicine helps control the rise of chronic illnesses, stress and other lifestyle issues, as it balances both the mind and offers long-term well-being. "Allopathy cannot provide the benefits AYUSH brings in preventive medicine and disease control," Rao said.

"The aim of organising this Ayush Habba is to spread awareness among the public, especially youths, about the benefits of Ayurveda. The team led by Dr Asha Jyothi and Dr Sachin have taken up the responsibility to promote an alternative system of medicine through Ayush Habba and done commendable work," he said.

Bishop Dr Peter Paul Saldanha inaugurates Ayush Habba in Mangaluru on Saturday | EXPRESS

EXPRESS READ

Hescom cuts power to sub-registrar office

Belagavi: The Hubballi Electricity Supply Company (Hescom) on Saturday gave the officers at the Belagavi sub-registrar office a taste of what apathy in paying their bills brings to them. After the office defaulted on electricity bills for four consecutive months, the distributor on Saturday disconnected power to the sub-registrar office until the dues were cleared. Sources said the dues of the office had mounted to Rs 2.31 lakh, and the power disconnection followed repeated warnings and notices issued by the HESCOM. Officials at the sub-registrar office, however, blamed a delay in the government releasing funds to pay the electricity bills and for other office expenses. The incident highlighted administrative negligence and its direct impact on public service delivery. Electricity was restored after the officials cleared the dues in the afternoon. **ENS**

Lakkundi spurs interest in more historical sites

Gadag: The recent excavation at Lakkundi has triggered a renewed interest among Gadag residents in visiting historical monuments across the district, leading to increased footfalls at heritage sites in Dambal, Sudi, Gajendragad, Naregal, Lakshmeshwar and surrounding villages. Following the developments at Lakkundi, locals in Dambal, Sudi and Lakshmeshwar have begun demanding similar excavation works in their areas, citing the rich historical value of monuments and inscriptions found there. Gadag district is home to several ancient structures located in Gadag town, Lakkundi, Dambal, Sudi, Gajendragad, Naregal and other villages. At present, the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) is maintaining monuments at Lakkundi, Gadag town, Sudi and Dambal. Other monuments and inscriptions in the district are still under survey, according to an ASI official. Although Gadag has an ASI office, officials are not always available to provide detailed information or statistics on the number of protected monuments in the district. However, maintenance work at Lakkundi, Dambal and a few other sites has been satisfactory, sources said. **ENS**

K'taka signs MoU with Jupiter Meta for study to boost startup ecosystem

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

THE state government on Saturday signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with data and insights-led firm Jupiter Meta to undertake a large-scale, founder-led research initiative aimed at strengthening and future-proofing the state's startup ecosystem.

Under the pro bono engagement, Jupiter Meta will conduct a privacy-first, data-driven study covering 2,000 stakeholders, including startup founders, venture capitalists and students. The research aims at generating actionable insights on founder needs, ecosystem gaps, programme effectiveness and emerging opportunities across the state with a special focus on tier-2 and tier-3 cities.

Minister for Electronics, IT and Biotechnology Priyank Kharge said Karnataka's position as India's startup capital must be reinforced through evidence-based policymaking.

"This collaboration will help us understand founder needs across stages and regions, benchmark Karnataka against other leading ecosystems, and strengthen initiatives such as the Karnataka Booster Kit to support the next wave of startup clusters across the state," he said.

The study will also assess the effectiveness of government initiatives in comparison with private accelerators and peer-state programmes. The key focus areas include surveying 2,000 startup founders, most of them from Karnataka, along with 100 venture capitalists and 100 students; assessing founder needs across sectors, funding levels and geographies; and identifying opportunities to attract, retain and scale startups beyond Bengaluru.

Jupiter Meta will submit a comprehensive insights report, an executive presentation, an interactive dashboard and a policy brief to support data-driven decision-making and strategic programme design.

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TENDER No:KMF/2025-26/SE4848 Date : 31.01.2026

TENDER NOTIFICATION

The Bangalore Co-operative Milk Union Ltd. Bangalore-29 (BAMUL) invites Technical & Commercial e-Tender through e-procurement portal **(https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in)** for Insuring **Cross-Breed Heifers/ Cows/ Local Cows/ Buffaloes** (without permanent total disability coverage) owned by Members of Milk Producers Co-Operative Societies affiliated to Bangalore Milk Union limited for a period of One year.
e-Procurement Tender's are invited from **"Eligible IRDAI Registered General Insurance Companies"** who deal with the Cattle Insurance coverage for a period of One year.
The details are mentioned here under :

A	Access to e-tender portal.	From 31.01.2026 to 02.03.2026 up to 04.00 PM
B	Last Date & Time for Tender Queries/Clarifications.	12.02.2026 up to 5.00 PM
C	Last Date & Time for Submission of tenders.	02.03.2026 up to 04.00PM
D	Date & Time for Opening of Technical Tender.	03.03.2026 04.05 PM
E	Date & Time for Opening of Commercial Tender.	06.03.2026 11.00 AM
F	Place of Opening of Technical and Commercial Tenders.	Board Room, Bangalore Co-operative Milk Union, Bengaluru-29

The details of the Tender Fees, EMD, Tender Terms & Conditions are available in e-procurement portal **(https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in)** for Verification.

Sd/- MANAGING DIRECTOR
(Tender Inviting Authority), BAMUL

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED
CIN : U85110KA1970SGC001919
No:KPCL/2025-26/SE0324 Date: 30.01.2026

SHORT-TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
HIRING OF VEHICLES
(Through e-Procurement Portal only)

Competitive bids are invited through GoK e-Procurement Platform **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** from reputed travel agencies with adequate experience and financial resources for **"Providing services of 14 Nos. of 3+1 seater Sedam Class A/c Cars of 2023 or latest model with GPS on 2500km/300 Hrs. Monthly hire basis for conveyance of officials of KPCL Head Office, Bengaluru for a period of two years along with driver and fuel. (Extendable on mutual consent by one more year on the performance of the agency and condition of the vehicle)" from the date of L.O.A.** Last date for receipt of completed bids: **10.02.2026 up to 17.00 hrs.** The Abstract bid notification and calendar events mentioned in e-Procurement portal: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** and **www.kpcl.karnataka.gov.in** Further details can also be obtained from **General Manager (Admin & HR), KPCL Ltd., No.82, Shakthi Bhavan, Race Course Road, Bengaluru-560 001, Karnataka-India Ph:080-22201820, Fax:23370348.**

NORTH WESTERN KARNATAKA ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION, CENTRAL OFFICES, HUBBALLI

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION NO.12/2025-26 DATE : 31-01-2026

Through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal (KPPP)

Tenders are invited for supply, commissioning and maintenance of the CCTV systems in the Buses of NWKRTC.

Sl. No.	Tender No	Description of the tender	Tender Value (Approx.)
1	NWKRTC/ 2025-26/ IND0174	Supply, installation, testing and commissioning of the CCTV Camera Systems in the buses of NWKRTC.	Rs. **1.85** Cr.

Last date and time for submission of bids is **12-02-2026** till 17.30 Hrs.
For details visit website : **http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**
Or Contact Mobile Nos. **7022009113 / 7760988557.**

Sd/- Controller of Stores & Purchases,
(Tender Inviting Authority)
DIPR/Dharwad/KSMCA/1172/2025-26

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public and Financial Institutions/ Banks that my client has lost the original **Development charges paid receipt No.656042 issued by CMC Bommanahalli along with Uttara Patra dated 6-6-2013 No. KTR/79/2013-14, Original Katha Certificate and Extract issued by BBMP** dated 16-3-2015 **No. 1210/1/1467/1/117 6/667/594/2E** and other documents in respect of property bearing **Site No. 2E,** House list Katha No.667, old Katha No.594, situated at Bilekahalli Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, were lost in transit at Wilson Garden, Bangalore. to that extent online police complaint has been filed. The founder of the documents are requested to hand over the same to the owner/ nearest police station or the undersigned. The General Public/ Institutions are warned not to deal with any fraudulent person possessing the said documents in respect of the afore said property. Any such fraudulent transaction on the basis of the above documents, will be at their risk and peril and is also liable to be prosecuted for unauthorized holding, and the transaction will not be binding on my client.

V.SHANKAR
Advocate & Legal Consultant
No.1144, 3rd Cross,17th Main, Srinagar
Bangalore – 560 050 Mob: 9481425508

FOOD SAFETY AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION
Office of the Principal Scientific Officer, Regional Drugs Testing Laboratory,
KIADB Industrial Area, 2nd Stage, Rayapur, Hubballi-580009.

No.: FDA/RDTL/e-Tender/TIA/PP-02/2025-26 Date: 31.01.2026

TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through KPP Portal only) (Two Cover System)

The Chairman, Tender Inviting Authority, Regional Drugs Testing Laboratory, Hubballi, has invited tenders as follows.

Sl. No.	Tender Details
1	Supply of HPLC Columns to Drugs Testing Laboratory, Bengaluru and Regional Drugs Testing Laboratories, Hubballi and Ballari. Tender no: FSDA/2025-26/IND0005
2	Supply of Filter Papers to Drugs Testing Laboratory, Bengaluru and Regional Drugs Testing Laboratories, Hubballi and Ballari. Tender no: FSDA/2025-26/IND0006
3	Supply of Chemicals / Solvents to Drugs Testing Laboratory, Bengaluru and Regional Drugs Testing Laboratories, Hubballi and Ballari. Tender no: FSDA/2025-26/IND0007

The schedule of events for the above goods tenders is mentioned below:
Last Date for Tender Queries/Clarifications is **05/02/2026 05:00 PM.** Last Date for Receipt of Tenders through https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in is **09/02/2026 04:00 PM.** Date for Opening of Technical Bid is **10/02/2026 04:01 PM** Date for Opening of Financial Bid is **13/02/2026 11:30 AM.**

4	Providing Annual Maintenance Contract (AMC) for HPLC Systems-40 Nos to Drugs Testing Laboratory, Palace Road Bengaluru. Tender no: FSDA/2025-26/SE0026
5	Providing Annual Maintenance Contract (AMC) for HPLC Systems -20 Nos to Regional Drugs Testing Laboratory, Raghavendra Colony, Ballari. Tender no: FSDA/2025-26/5E0027

The schedule of events for the above service tenders is mentioned below:
Last Date for Tender Queries/Clarifications is **09/02/2026 05:00 PM.** Last Date for Receipt of Tenders through https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in is **16/02/2026 05:00 PM.** Date for Opening of Technical Bid is **18/02/2026 11:30 AM** Date for Opening of Financial Bid is **23/02/2026 11:30 AM.**

Detailed Tender Notifications can be obtained from https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in Further details can be obtained from the office of the Chief Scientific Officer, Drugs Testing Laboratory, Palace Road, Bengaluru-560001.

Sd/- The Chairman,
Tender Inviting Authority,
Principal Scientific Officer (I/C)

DIPR/CP/JA/5328/2025-26

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A Government Of India Undertaking)
Head Office: Bangalore

ARM-1 Branch,
2nd Floor, No.86, Spencer Tower,
M.G. Road Bengaluru-560001
Ph:080-25310066, E-mail: cb2366@canarabank.com

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable / movable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of the Canara Bank,** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on **19.02.2026 (10.30 AM to 11.00AM), for recovery of Rs.5505676585.32 (Rupees Five Hundred and Fifty Crores Fifty Six Lakhs Seventy Six Thousand Five Hundred and Eighty Five and Thirty Two Paisa Only) as on 28.01.2026** with further interest and cost thereon due to the **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of Canara Bank from (1) Scotts Garments Limited,** A Company Incorporated under the Companies Act, Having Its Registered office at: 481-B, IV Phase, Peenya Industrial Area, Bangalore-560058.Represented by its Managing Director, Mr. Naseer Ahmed. **(2) Mr. Naseer Ahmed,** No, 391, 2nd Cross, 2nd Main, 2nd Stage, RMV Extension, Bengaluru 560058 **(3) Smt Nuzhat Aisha Naseer,** W/o Sri. Naseer Ahmed No. 391, 2nd Cross, 2nd Main Road, 02nd Stage, RMV Extension, Bengaluru 560058. **(4) Sri. Awaiz Ahmed,** S/o Naseer Ahmed 69-8, Shobha Malachite, Bellary Road, jakkur Behind Ship School **(5) Scotts Plantations Pvt Limited,** A Company Incorporated under the Companies Act Having Its Registered office at: 481-B, IV Phase, Peenya Industrial Area, Bangalore-560058. Represented By its Authorized Signatory, Mr. Naseer Ahmed **(6) COPPERS COINS REALTY PVT LIMITED,** A Company Incorporated under the Companies Act Having Its Registered office at: 481-B, IV Phase, Peenya Industrial Area, Bangalore-560058. Represented By its Authorized Signatory, Mr. Awaiz Ahmed, Bangalore- 560 023.

The Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposits details are as under & the Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited **on or before 18.02.2026 at 5.00 pm** by way of DD favouring Authorized Officer **Canara Bank ARM-1 Branch** or through online payment to **Account No.209272434 (IFSC CNRB0002366)** is as under. **(₹.In Crores)**

Lot	Description of the immovable	Reserve Price	EMD	Incre -mental Value	Inspection date & time
1	Industrial Land and Building at 481/A, IV Phase, Peenya Industrial Area, Peenya, Sy No. 46, Nallakadaranahalli, Bangalore-560058. Land measuring 4,146 Sq.mtr (44,628 Sq.ft) with a total built up area of 1,65,000 Sq.ft.	32.50	3.25	0.25	13.02.2026 10.00 A.M to 2.00 P.M. with Prior Appointment with Authorised Officer
2	Industrial Land and Building at 481/B, IV Phase, Peenya Industrial Area, Peenya, Sy No. 46, Nallakadaranahalli, Bangalore-560058. Land measuring 1874 Sq. mtr (20,172 Sq.ft) with a total built up area of 69,600 Sq.ft.	15.25	1.53	0.25	
3	Industrial Land at Sy. No 60. Sultan Thippasandra village, Now Called Shaheenshanagar, Railway Parallel Road, Kolar Town, Kasaba Hobli, Kolar District – 563101. Land measuring 32 guntas or 34,848 sq.ft.	4.94	0.49	0.25	
4	Industrial land and building at Sy. No. 30/1, 30/2 and 32/2 Sangodahalli village, Kondarajanahalli Panchayat, Chikkaballapura Road, Kasaba hobli, Kolar district – 563102. Land measuring 2 acre 29 guntas or 11,8701 Sq.ft	13.99	1.40	0.25	

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or OR the service provider the service provider M/s PSB Alliance (Ebkray), e- mail: support.ebkray@psballiance.com, Helpdesk Number : 8291220220, Website: https://ebkray.in/ may contact Chief manager, ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru, Canara Bank, Ph. No.080-25310066, 9483544116 and 8508442767 during office hours on any working day.

Date : 29.01.2026
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

ADITYA BIRLA CAPITAL PROTECTING INVESTING FINANCING ADVISING
Aditya Birla Capital Limited

Registered Office : Indian Rayon Compound, Veraval, Gujarat - 362266,
Branch address. No 01/78, Star Avenue, 6th Cross, Victoria Road, Victoria Layout,
Bengaluru, Karnataka 560047

APPENDIX-IV POSSESSION NOTICE
[RULE 8 (1) OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002]

Whereas, the, undersigned being the Authorized officer of Aditya Birla Capital Limited under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a **demand notice dated 03.09.2025** calling upon **M/s Speed Matrix, M/s Matrix Technologies Inc. (Matrix), Matrix Tech Serve (India) Pvt Ltd (MTSPL), Mr. T.M.Kiran, and Mr. T.S.Mohan. as Borrowers/Co-Borrowers/Mortgager/ Guarantor to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs. 83,08,327.69/- (Rupees Eighty-Three Lakh Eight Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Seven and Paise Sixty-Nine Only) as on 01.09.2025,** exclusive of TDS Outstanding, if any, within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice together with further interest and other charges from the date of demand notice till the date of payment/realization.

The Borrowers/Co-Borrowers/Mortgager/ Guarantor having failed to repay the entire notice amount together with further interest and other charges, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken Possession of the property described herein below in exercise of the powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of section 13 of the Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this the **17th day of November, 2025.**

In the above circumstances on this 31st day of January, 2026. The advocate commissioner had taken Physical Possession of the property mentioned herein below after taking inventory of materials available in the said property under Section 14 of the SARFAESI Act and handed over the possession to the undersigned authorized officer as per the order dated 17.12.2025 passed by the Hon'ble XXXth Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate, Bengaluru in C.Miss. No. 9136 of 2025.

The borrowers and co-borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Aditya Birla Capital Limited for an amount of **Rs. 83,08,327.69/- (Rupees Eighty-Three Lakh Eight Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Seven and Paise Sixty-Nine Only) as on 01.09.2025** and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured asset.

DESCRIPTION OF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing House on residentially converted Site No.18 & 19 formed out of Survey.No.54 "B" Block Old Katha No.54, Present C.M.C Katha No.530/18-19 Situated at Puttenahalli Village, 1st Main Road, Silver Oak Layout, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, 7th Phase, J.P. Nagar, Bangalore- 560078, Now under the jurisdiction of the city Municipal Council, Bommanahalli measuring East to West 45 feet and North to South 54 feet in all measuring 2430 Sq.feet along with residential House Consisting of Ground Floor 870 sq. Ft,. and First Floor 792 Sq. Ft. With R.C.C. Roofing, Mosaic Flooring, Doors and Windows are Made out of Mathi and honne Wood and with all Civic amenities and together with all right, appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and bounded an as follows: East by: Road (Silver Oak Street) West by: Property bearing No. 20; North by: Property bearing No.41 in 'A' Block. South by: Road (1st 'A' Cross)

DETAILS OF OTHER ASSETS PROVIDED AS SECURITY INTEREST: Exclusive charge on movable assets; rights, title, interest and benefit in all current assets (both present and future); right, title, interest, benefits, claims and demands on all monies; book-debts, receivables, outstanding, monies, claims, etc. present and future assets as available and found in the aforesaid immovable property.
(Deed of Hypothecation dated 22.06.2017 to be referred for a detailed description)

Date: 31.1.2026
Place: Bangalore
LAN: MINACS0235101.

for Aditya Birla Capital Limited
Sd/- Authorized Officer

Chittoor district has created a Guinness World Record by distributing 5,555 e-cycles to beneficiaries in Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu's home constituency Kuppam, marking a major step towards promoting eco-friendly transport

GENERAL BUDGET TODAY

TDP HOPES FOR G RAM G SPEND COMPENSATION

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

AHEAD of Sunday's Union Budget, the Telugu Desam Party (TDP), a key ally of the NDA, said while the recently enacted Viksit Bharat – Guarantee for Rozgar and Ajeevika Mission (Gramin) Bill, 2025 (G RAM G) is expected to add an estimated ₹2,500 crore burden to Andhra Pradesh's state budget, it is confident that the Centre will step in with financial support to bridge the gap.

Under G RAM G, rural projects are linked to the PM Gati Shakti national master plan. I believe this will largely reduce repetition (in MGNREGA), as the scheme focuses on specific priority areas. It will also create lasting assets for communities and villages

Lavu Sri Krishna Devarayalu

In an interview with this newspaper, TDP parliamentary party leader Lavu Sri Krishna Devarayalu said the party has already taken up the matter with the Centre.

"We have sought the Centre's support for implementing G RAM G, and we have received a lot of confidence from them. We expect to receive a substantial allocation for the Purvodaya scheme to meet the additional cost for G RAM G," he said. The state is also expecting allocation of funds for river interlinking projects and the development of horticulture across at least 40 lakh acres in Rayalaseema and other backward districts in the Union Budget, added Devarayalu.

Under the G RAM G Act, the guarantee of work has been increased from 100 days to 125 days per financial year, and states are required to cover 40% of the expenditure for the rural job scheme. Under this revised funding formula, Andhra Pradesh is expected to shoulder an additional Rs 2,500 crore.

To meet the additional cost, the state is exploring two potential sources, the Purvodaya scheme and the Rayalaseema drought mitigation scheme, said Devarayalu.

"We are hoping to secure as much funding as possible for both in the Union Budget," he said. The Purvodaya scheme is aimed at the sustainable development of Eastern India, specifically Bihar, Jharkhand, West Bengal, Odisha, and Andhra Pradesh.

A recent report by research group Libitech said that Andhra Pradesh is already burdened with nearly ₹10 lakh crore in debt. In 2024–25, Andhra Pradesh spent around ₹7,800 crore under MGNREGA, with the state contributing about ₹780 crore. Under the new Act, the state's share is projected to rise sharply to nearly ₹3,120 crore.

"We have a strategy in place, and going forward, the funds will be augmented. We will ensure that the scheme is fully implemented," he said.

With SIR data in hand, DMK hardens seat-sharing talks

PRABHAKAR TAMILARASU @ Chennai

THE Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in Tamil Nadu has thrown up a politically sensitive dataset exposing the booth-level organisational strength of parties just months ahead of the Assembly elections. The data is now being used by the ruling DMK, which is facing considerable pressure from allies for share in power and additional seats, to illustrate to the parties the ground-level cadre strength it commands vis-a-vis its allies and the rationale for apportioning seats to them proportionate to their booth strength, sources said.

As per the data, while DMK has 68,260 Booth Level Agents, alliance partner Congress has 30,850 BLAs, CPM has 3,817, and CPI and VCK have 1,442, and 250 BLAs, respectively. Citing this organisational asymmetry as one of the factors, DMK sources said the party leadership remains firm that any increase in seats for alliance partners, including VCK, CPI and CPM, would be nominal and no ally would get a double-digit hike.

Party sources further said that the DMK has decided to nominally increase the seats for Congress, which contested 25 seats in 2021, to 27 seats. While VCK is to get eight seats — an increase of two seats — the CPM and CPI may get the same six seats that were offered in the 2021 elections. "MDMK, which contested six seats on the DMK symbol last time, was offered the same number of seats again. However, since the party wants to contest on its own, the DMK is likely to allow them to contest three seats on the 'rising-sun' symbol and three on their own.

Speaking to *TNSE*, a senior DMK leader said that they would increase the seats based on the performance of the parties in the previous elections as well as their organisational strength.

Over 11.6 lakh seek inclusion in final list in Kerala

T'Puram: As the deadline for filing claims and objections to the draft voters' list -- published as part of the ongoing SIR-- ended on January 30, the state poll panel has received as many as 11.65 lakh forms for inclusion in the final electoral roll to be published on February 21. This includes 10.18 lakh applications from within the state and 1.47 lakh from abroad. Notably, only 16,250 applications -- 1.59% of the total forms from within the state -- were submitted by political parties on behalf of voters after the draft electoral roll was published on December 23. As per figures released by the office of the Chief Electoral Officer-Kerala on Saturday, a total of 19,521 forms relating to exclusion of voters (Form 7) from the rolls were submitted by individuals. Parties had submitted only 679 forms (3.47%) in this category between December 24 and January 30. A total of 1.47 lakh overseas voters have applied for enrolment after the draft voters' list was published last month. They had submitted applications in the Form 6-A category. The ECI recently provided an alternative option to Indians born outside the country for enrolment. This was in the wake of complaints that such applicants were not able to apply as new voters online owing to the lack of provision to enter a place of birth outside India. **ENS**

SAVING LIVES

As part of National Road Safety Week, Tirunelveli City Police Commissioner Manivanan distributes free helmets to two-wheeler riders at Palayamkottai, Tamil Nadu, on Saturday | V KARTHIKALAGU

Economic survey shows TN's record, read it, Stalin tells Modi & Guv Ravi

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Sivaganga

TAMIL Nadu Chief Minister **MK Stalin** on Saturday urged Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Governor RN Ravi to read the Economic Survey report, which was released by the union government on Thursday ahead of the union finance budget, before criticising the state government as its performance in several areas has been highly appreciated in the report.

Addressing a gathering at a government event at Karaikudi in Sivaganga district, Stalin said that the statistics referred by him in his speeches to highlight the state's growth were not based on his imagination but on the information stated in the union government's reports.

The performance of Tamil Nadu in encouraging entrepreneurship, creating high number of employment opportunities in manufacturing sector, especially for women, among others, have been appreciated even in the latest report, the CM said.

Criticising the centre for repealing the MGNREGA, which he said was the backbone of the rural economy, Stalin flayed the centre for introducing the VB-G RAM G Act. "They are not able to provide 50 workdays under MGNREGA. How will it be possible to provide 125 workdays under the new law," he asked, mocking that they could have simply announced 365 workdays under the new Act, instead of 125 days.

Till last year, Rs 12,000 crore was provided to 65 lakh families under MGNREGA in the state. The union government must repeal the new Act, else they would be forced to repeal it with people's support similar to the three farm laws, he added.

Attacking AIADMK general secretary Edappadi K Palaniswami, the DMK president said they were the ones who had failed to fulfil their own election promises during their previous tenures in 2011 and 2016. Referring to a few unfulfilled promises of AIADMK, he said the Chennai-Kanniyakumari coastal road, aero park for southern Tamil Nadu, and free bus for those aged 58 and above were part of their 2011 election promises, while cell phones for all ration card holders, free wifi in significant places were part of the 2016 manifesto of the AIADMK.

4 woman devotees on padayatra run over by car in TN, 3 injured

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Perambalur

FOUR woman devotees, who were undertaking a padayatra to the Samayapuram temple, were killed and three others sustained injuries after they were run over by a car near Siruvachur bridge in Perambalur district early on Saturday. The driver of the car, S Gowtham (24) from Tirisulam in Chennai, has been arrested in connection with the incident.

The deceased were identified as S Malarkodi (35), B Vijayalakshmi (40), T Sasikala (47), natives of Tholar Kudikadu village in Cuddalore, and M Chitra (40) of Gangavalli in Salem. The injured — P Jothilakshmi (57), M Tamilarasi (42), and S Vijayalakshmi (43), all natives of Tholar Kudikadu — are undergoing treatment at Perambalur Government Hospital, police said.

According to police sources, the incident took place when more than 10 devotees from Cuddalore and Salem districts were walking towards the Siruvachur bridge. The car, travelling from Chennai to Tiruchy, rammed them from behind. While Malarkodi, Vijayalakshmi, and Chitra were killed on the spot, Jothilakshmi, Tamilarasi, Sasikala and Vijayalakshmi sustained severe injuries.

Upon information, the Perambalur police rushed to the spot, rescued the injured, and shifted them to hospital. However, Sasikala succumbed to injuries later, and all four bodies were sent for postmortem examination.

AP min's remarks against Naidu triggers row

Vijayawada: Tension gripped Guntur city on Saturday when a large number of TDP activists allegedly ransacked the office of senior YSRCP leader and former minister Ambati Rambabu, following his controversial remarks against Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu. According to police sources, Ambati used abusive language while criticising Naidu. is remarks sparked widespread anger among the TDP rank and file, leading to violent confrontations between the ruling and the opposition groups at multiple locations in the city. Ambati was stopped and attacked by TDP activists when he was on his way to Gorantla to offer special prayers. **ENS**

KAMPA plans auction platform, portal to ensure genuine med plants

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

WITH the rising demand for medicinal plants and natural remedies, concerns over the availability of genuine products have also grown. To address this issue, the Karnataka State Medicinal Plant Authority (KAMPA) has proposed the creation of a dedicated portal and platform to provide authentic information on medicinal products and where they can be purchased

The initiative is aimed at guiding all stakeholders, including consumers, traders and collectors. The move follows the herbal expo organised by KAMPA in December 2025.

The Authority is also working towards establishing an organised marketplace for the auction of medicinal plants, similar to the system followed by Agricultural Produce Market Committees (APMCs).

"By doing this, we not only want to eliminate middlemen but also ensure that genuine products reach consumers. We plan to begin auctions with popular and highly sought-after medicinal plants such as Ashwagandha (Withania somnifera), Moringa (Moringa oleifera) and Tulsi (Ocimum tenuiflorum). The board will sell its own products and also promote small-scale producers," KAMPA Chief Executive Officer Arsalan told *TNSE*.

He added that a separate platform is also being developed for the retail sale of medicinal plants to consumers, as well as for traders and collectors. The platform will enable buyers and sellers to connect through an authenticated system According to official data, around 225 medicinal plants are traded in Karnataka. The State also has 14 identified and listed forest produce organisations that procure medicinal plants from forests.

However, in the absence of a single organised platform, the Authority is now working to bring all traders and stakeholders under one system. The portal will also list product standards and quality parameters that consumers should look for before making purchases.

Officials said the initiative aims to create greater awareness among the public. "With the rise in lifestyle diseases, many people are turning to natural medicines. Taking advantage of this demand, fake and adulterated products are being sold in the market. Even some large brands not only sell adulterated products but also procure raw material illegally. The portal will allow consumers to verify the source of procurement," a KAMPA official said. The Authority is also developing a comprehensive database of collectors, traders, suppliers and dealers—an area that has remained largely unorganised so far. Bringing transparency to this increasingly sought-after sector is a key objective of the initiative, the official added.

EXPRESS READ

LOKAYUKTA TRAPS PSI FOR TAKING ₹40K BRIBE IN TUMAKURU

TUMAKURU: The Lokayukta police led by DySP Manjunath arrested Tumakuru rural police sub-inspector Chethan Kumar SS in the wee hours of Saturday on charges of demanding Rs 5 lakh bribe to release a seized car. After negotiation, the accused had allegedly agreed to accept Rs 40,000 as advance. Interestingly, in order to evade any suspicion he had instructed a staff of a motel at Kyathsandra, on the outskirts of Tumakuru, to collect the cash from the complainant-Nagesh SK, a lawyer and a resident of Nagadevanahalli in Bengaluru. The motel staffer was trapped on Friday night while collecting the money. After the PSI turned up to collect the cash, he fell into the trap laid by the Lokayukta police. A case has been registered under Section 7(a) of the Prevention of Corruption (PC) Act. The Lokayukta police team which tactfully trapped the PSI comprised DySPs Santhosh and Raju, and PIs Suresh and Mohammed Saleem. **ENS**

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Letter No 86 — Corrigendum No.05 — Dated 31.01.2026
e-Tender No. 01/DGM (E&M D-II)/UJVNL/2025-26

Pursuant to ITB Clause 7.1, "Addendum-III" has been uploaded on e-procurement portal. The dates of above tender are hereby extended as follows:
Last date for submission of bid on e-portal: 16.02.2026 up to 17:00 Hrs.
Last date for submission of Original document (Hard copies) : 20.02.2026 up to 17:00 Hrs.
Date & Time of opening of Technical bid on e-portal : 23.02.2026 from 11:00 Hrs.
Other terms & condition shall remain same. Details of subsequent addendum/corrigendum/cancellation etc. may be obtained from e-procurement portal "http://uktenders.gov.in".

Dy. General Manager (E&M Design-II)

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Form - 16
[Regulations 34(3)]

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL - I, BENGALURU
BSNL Building, 4th Floor, Telephone House,
Raj Bhavan Road, Bengaluru, Pincode - 560001.

WARRANT OF ATTACHMENT OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
See Sections 25 to 28 of the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act, 1993 r/w Rule 48 to 51 of the II Schedule to the Income Tax Act, 1961
DRC No. 7022 IN O.A. No. 652 / 2012

Between :
Canara Bank
[E-Syndicate Bank]
SHANTHI NAGAR BRANCH
(Now with ARM 2 Branch, Bengaluru) ... Certificate Holder
And
Sri. HEMANTH G. RAO & Others ... Certificate Debtors
1. Sri. Hemanth G. Rao S/o. Govinda Rao
Res. At : No. 35, 1st Main, Bharathi Layout, Dharmaram College Post, Bengaluru - 560 029.
2. Smt. Suchitra V. Keshvan W/o. Hemanth G. Rao.
Res. At : No. 35, 1st Main, Bharathi Layout, Dharmaram College Post, Bengaluru - 560 029.
3. Sri. G.B. Kishore Rao S/o. Late G. Rao
No. 42/10, 4th Main, 9th Cross, Srinivasanagar, Bengaluru - 560 085.
4.Smt. Shanthi B.K. W/o. Govinda Rao
No. 42/10, 4th Main, 9th Cross, Srinivasanagar, Bengaluru - 560 085.

Whereas the above named Certificate Debtros were ordered by Recovery Certificate to pay to the Applicant Bank (Certificate Holder) a sum of **Rs. 60,73,362/- (Rupees Sixty Lakhs Seventy Three Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Two Only)** together with interest applicable / payable as per the Recovery Certificate (R.C.) till the date of realization and whereas the said sum has not been paid by the CDs.

This is to command you to attach the immovable property of the said Certificate Debtors as set forth in the Schedule hereunto annexed or which shall be pointed out to you by the said certificate and unless the said certificate debtors shall pay to you the above said sum as per R.C. and the costs of this attachment to hold the same until further orders from the Recovery Officer.

You are further commanded to return the Warrant on or before **15-10-2025** with an endorsement certifying the day on which and the manner in which it has been executed or why it has not been executed.

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Residential House bearing BBMP No. 35 (Constructed on SIte No. 74) First Main Road, Bharathi Layout (Formerly known as Suddguntepalya), Ward No. 63, Thavarekere Hobli, Dharmaram College Post, Bangalore - 560029, Measuring : East to West 30 Feet and North to South 40 Feet with Ground and First Floor Building, standing thereon and bounded on the : **East by :** Property No. 75, **West by :** Property No. 73, **North by :** Road, **South by :** Property No. 78.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Tribunal, this **15.09.2025**

P.H. HEMANTH KUMAR, IRS
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  Qualification: Graduate in CS/Electronics/IT /Computer Application
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* Post-wise qualification and experience available on C-DAC's website.

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NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13 (2) OF THE SECURITIZATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002

The following borrowers and co-borrowers availed the below mentioned secured loans from **IDFC FIRST Bank Limited (erstwhile IDFC Bank Limited and presently known as IDFC FIRST Bank Limited)** The loans of the below-mentioned borrowers and co- borrowers have been secured by the mortgage of their respective properties. As they have failed to adhere to the terms and conditions of the respective loan agreements and had become irregular, their loan were classified as NPA as per the RBI guidelines. Amounts due by them to **IDFC FIRST Bank Limited (erstwhile IDFC Bank Limited and presently known as IDFC FIRST Bank Limited)** are mentioned as per respective notices issued more particularly described in the following table and further interest on the said amounts shall also be applicable and the same will be charged as per contractual rate with effect from their respective dates.

Sr No.	Loan Account No.	Type of Loan	Name of borrowers and co-borrowers	Section 13 (2) Notice Date	Outstanding amount as per Section 13 (2) Notice
1	10148118160	BBG	1. M/s Patel Garlics 2. Jignesh Patel 3. Dvija Jignesh Patel 4. Heena Dhrupesh Dhulesia	23.01.2026	INR 76,23,368.00/-

Property Address : All That Piece And Parcel Of Flat Bearing No. 105 (A-block) In First Floor, Containing Of 2 Bed Rooms Along With One Car Parking Bearing No.105 (a-block) And The Super Built Area Measuring 1120 Sq. Ft. Of The Apartment Known As "DS-MAX Silver Nest", Together With 248 Sq. Ft. An Undivided Share, Right, Title And Interest Of Land In The Total Land Of Immovable Converted Land Property Bearing Sy. No. 25/3, Converted For Non-agriculture Purpose Dated 27/08/2008, Vide In Order No. Aln(nay)sr 8/2008-09 Of Bbmp Khatha No. 25/3/28/5, Situated At Chikkabettahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, Karnataka-560097, And Bounded On : **East By : Common Road, West By : Land Property Belongs To Mr. Krishnappa, North By : Sy. No 27, South By : Property Belongs To M/s. Kiran Shelters Of Sy.No. 25/3.**

You are hereby called upon to pay the amounts to **IDFC FIRST Bank Limited (erstwhile IDFC Bank Limited and presently known as IDFC FIRST Bank Limited)** as per the details shown in the above table with contracted rate of interest thereupon from their respective dates and other costs, charges etc., within 60 days from the date of this publication, failing which the undersigned shall be constrained to initiate proceedings, under Section 13 (4) and section 14 of the SARFAESI Act, against the mortgaged properties mentioned hereinabove to realize the amount due to **IDFC FIRST Bank Limited (erstwhile IDFC Bank Limited and presently known as IDFC FIRST Bank Limited)** Further you are prohibited under Section 13 (13) of the said Act from transferring the said secured assets either by way of sale/lease or otherwise.

Sd/-
Authorized Officer
IDFC First Bank Limited
(erstwhile IDFC Bank Limited and presently known as IDFC FIRST Bank Limited)

Date : 01.02.2026
Place : Bangalore, Karnataka

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GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

No.5202/PW/EEI/ID/JE(P)-33/2025-2026 Puducherry, the. 31.01.2026

PRESS NOTICE FOR e-Tender

The Executive Engineer, Irrigation Division, PWD, Puducherry invites on behalf of the President of India, Online Percentage Rate Bids from the eligible contractors / firms for the following work(s):

1. **Tender No.229/PW/IRRN/2025-2026 Name of Work : "Comprehensive improvements for Muruganpakkam Tank Irrigation Channels cum Drainage Channels including construction of one precast box culvert near Sudhana Nagar" Sub Work-1 : Construction of RCC retaining wall on Eastern bund of Muruganpakkam eri surplus course near Sri Angalamman temple at Muruganpakkam, Puducherry. Sub Work-2 : Construction of PCC 'U' drain in Muruganpakkam tank 1st and 2nd sluice at Irrigation cum drainage channel in Aravindar Nagar tank Puducherry. Sub Work-3 : Construction of 2 Nos. of slab culvert across the Muruganpakkam tank 3rd sluice channel near Aravindar Nagar main road in Ariyankuppam Constituency in Puducherry. Estimate Cost : Rs.5,79,26,415/- (inclusive of GST). Earnest Money : Rs.11,58,528/-. Period of Completion : Nine (9) Months (including Monsoon period.**
2. **Tender No.230/PW/IRRN/2025-2026. Name of Work : Construction of balance portion of drain and road formation and RCC culvert in Attukaran Odai at Muthirapalayam in Thattanchavady Revenue Village. Sub Work-1 : Construction of balance portion of drain and road formation in Attukaran Odai at Muthirapalayam in Thattanchavady Revenue Village, Puduchery. Estimate Cost : Rs.5,47,65,835/-(inclusive of GST. Earnest Money : Rs.10,95,317/-. Period of Completion : Nine (9) Months (including Monsoon period).**
3. **Tender No.231/PW/IRRN/2025-2026. Name of Work : Construction of drain from Ch.0.00m to Ch.1352.00m at Tsunami Quarters including construction of 2 Nos. RCC slab culverts, at Tsunami Quarters, Chinna Veerampattinam, Puducherry. Sub Work-1 : Construction of drain from Ch.0.00 m to Ch.1352.00m at Tsunami Quarters, Chinna Veerampattinam, Puducherry. Estimate Cost : Rs.5,27,26,877/- (inclusive of GST). Earnest Money : Rs.10,54,538/-. Period of Completion : Nine (9) Months (including Monsoon period).**

Last time & date of submission of bid on (or) before **04.00 P.M. on 18.02.2026,** date & time of Opening of Bid **11.00 A.M. on 19.02.2026.**

The bid forms and other details can be obtained from the website **www.pudutenders.gov.in**

No.776/DIP/AD(Press)/2025-26

EXECUTIVE ENGINEER IRRIGATION DIVISION

PUBLIC NOTICE

I R. Mahendravarma practicing Advocate and now I issuing public notice on behalf of my clients **Mr. Rafiq Ahmed** and **Mrs. Zeenath Unnisa** both residing at No.227, R.X.Cottage,14th main Road, Gokula 1st Stage, 1st phase, H.M.T.Layout, Mathikere Bangalore-560054 and they have already purchased schedule property from Mrs.Aruna.U.S and Mrs. U.S.Vidya through registered sale deed dated 22.06.2011 and same document duly registered as document No.YPR-1-00609-2011-12, Stored in C.D. No.YPRD 30 and same document duly registered before sub-registrarYeshwanthapura, Bangalore before afore said sale transaction the erstwhile owner of same property called Aruna.U.S has lost mother deed bearing No.1539/1995-96 pertains to site No.10, situated at 6th Cross, H.M.T.Layout, Mathikere, Bangalore, PID No.3-52-10 and measuring E-W-30 feet and North to South-50 feet and after misplace of same the said Aruna.U.S has filed police compliant before Subramanya Urban police station on 05.06.2011 but she has not publish in daily newspapers and now my clients are in the peaceful possession without having any litigations, hence my client stated above is requesting that any persons having any claim on same document stated above and in any manner should write to the undersigned with documentary proof in support of your claim within **07 days** of issuances of this notice, failing which my client will proceed on the basis that there are no claims on same document

Sd/- **R.Mahendravarma** Advocate,
No.42, R.G.Nagar, M.S.Playa,
Bangalore-560097, Moile No.7795488467.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client has agreed to purchase the Schedule property from following persons, namely **i.** Sri. Kirankumar Reddy, **ii.** Sri.Venna Pedakasireddy, **iii.** Sri. Charabudla Shirish Reddy, **iv.** Sri. Dushetti Sridhar, **v.** Sri. Annapureddy Prasad Reddy, **vi.** Sri. Ravindra.G, **vii.** Sri. Bayapa Reddy, **viii.** Smt. Yakkanti Snehalatha, **ix.** Sri. Kishore Jeedigunta. If anybody has got any legitimate claim over the same, they can put forward their claim **within 10 days** from the date of publication of this Notice along with relevant documents to the under signed. Claims which are received after ten days from the date of publication of this notice will not be taken into consideration.

SCHEDULE

Property bearing No.5, measuring east to west 40 feet and North to south (69.5+68)/2, Totally measuring 2750 Sq,feet, consisting of Ground plus Six floors, Situated at P&T Lay-Out Formed by the Sambrani Enterprises, Rachenahalli Village, K.R. Puram Bangalore;

East : Site No.6, **West** : Site No.4
North : Site No.14 **South** : Road

T. Seshagiri Rao, Advocate,
No.230, 2nd Cross, 2nd Main, Mahalakshmi Layout,
Bangalore - 560086. Ph. 2349 4850, Mail: tsrao.cogmail.com
BANGALORE, DATED: 31.01.2026

IN THE COURT OF THE IX ADDL CITY CIVIL AND SESSION JUDGE AT BANGALORE (CCH.5)
O.S. NO : 6230/2024

BETWEEN : Mrs. Shweta Tyagi, W/o Mr. Tushar Tyagi, Aged about 44 years. residing at VIVA-106, SJR Verity, Hosa Road, Kasavanahalli, Bengaluru-560035 & Anr ...**PLAINTIFF**
AND : Kirti K. Mehta, Aged about 75 years, Authorized Signatory / Director, M/s Unishire Homes LLP, No.36, Railway Parallel Road, Nehrunagar, Kumara Park West, Bengaluru -560020 & Ors ...**DEFENDANTS**

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT NO. 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 UNDER ORDER 5 RULE 20 CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

Defendants : D-1. Kirti K. Mehta, Aged about 75 years, Authorized Signatory / Director, M/s Unishire Homes LLP, No.36, Railway Parallel Road, Nehrunagar, Kumara Park West, Bengaluru-560020. **D-2. M/s S.A. Enterprises,** Represented by its Proprietor, Abdul Latheef Jabbar, Aged about 50 years, No.29, 15th Cross, Kanakanagar, R.T. Nagar, Bengaluru -560032. **D-3. M/s S.A. Enterprises,** Represented by its Authorized Signatory / Project Manager, Anoop Lobo, Aged about 38 years, No.29, 15th Cross, Kanakanagar, R.T. Nagar, Bengaluru - 560032. **D-4. Pratik K. Mehta,** Aged about 46 years, Authorized Signatory / Director, M/s Unishire Homes LLP, Office at No.42, Castle Street, Ashok Nagar, Bengaluru -560025. **D-5. Darshan M,** Aged about 34 years, S/o Manjunath, M/s S.A. Enterprises, Office at No.29, 15th Cross, Kanakanagar, R.T. Nagar, Bengaluru-560032, And also, at No.20 (42), Castle Street, Ashok Nagar, Bengaluru-560025.

Whereas the above-named plaintiff filed the instant suit for the relief of Specific Performance of Contract and for other consequential reliefs in respect of the suit schedule properties against the defendants,

Whereas, the said Defendant is hereby summoned/ noticed to appear in the said case in person or by a pleader duly instructed. The said suit stands posted for the appearance of the Defendant on **10.03.2026 at 11.00 A.M.** The said Defendant is required to appear before this HON'BLE IX ADDL.CITY CIVIL AND SESSION JUDGE BANGALORE at Bengaluru, in default of appearance of Defendant on the day and hour above mentioned the above case will be heard and determined Ex-Parte.

SCHEDULE A PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing corporation No.63/1/78 formerly being portion of Sy. No.78 measuring 2 acre 83.5 guntas situated at Thanisandra Village, K.R. Puram hobli, Bengaluru east taluk, vide converted in no. BDS/ALN/SR/E283/02-03 dated: 11.02.2003 now presently comes under BBMP Ward No 6 which includes all rights, privileges and appurtenances share to measuring 1.23.602 Sq. feets and bounded on
East By : Remaining portions of Sy. No. 78,
West By : Remaining portions of Sy. No. 78,
North By : Sy. No 82, **South By : Road**

SCHEDULE B PROPERTY

All the rights and liabilities in an undivided share out of 1,23,602 Sq. feet to an extent of 764 Sq. feet in immovable property bearing corporation No. 63/1/78 formerly a converted land in Sy. No. 78 vide official memorandum No.BDS/ALN/SR/E 283/02-03 measuring 2 acre 33.5 guntas situated at Thannisandra Village, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, presently comes within jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No. 6.

SCHEDULE C PROPERTY

Apartment bearing its Flat No. F-1, 808, 8th Floor, 4 Block in residential complex "Unishire Terraza super built up area measuring 2100 Sq. feets constructed on the immovable property bearing Sy. NO.78 converted land in No.BDS/ALN/SR/E-283/02-03 dated: 11.02.2003) measuring 2 acre 33.5 guntas situated at Thanisandra Village, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bengaluru East Talk, presently comes within the jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No.6. consisting of building in of RCC roofing structural foundation with cement blocks mortar vitrified flooring, spate electricity common water supply and sanitary connection right to use 02 car parking area in basement, use of terrace approachable to said apartment which includes all rights, privileges easementary rights, appurtenances thereto together with common area facilities, open space common staircase, lifts.

Given Under my hand and Seal of This Hon'Ble On This Day 22/1/2026

By Order of the Court
Sd/- Senior Sheristedar
City Civil Court, Bangalore

ADVOCATE FOR PLAINTIFF:
Anand M Sholapurmath Advocate
Office at : #241/24, "Benaka", 1st Floor, 53rd Cross, 10th main, 4th Block, Near Ram Mandir, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru-560010.

BENGALURU CENTRAL CITY CORPORATION

Office of the Executive Engineer,
C.V. Ramannagara Division, 8th Cross, 12th 'A' Main Road, HAL 2nd Stage, Indiranagara, Bengaluru - 560038.

No: EE/CVR/KPPP/07/2025-26/CALL-2 Date: 31-01-2026

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Two Cover System) (Through GOK KPP Portal only)

Tenders on item rate basis are invited by the Executive Engineer, C.V. Ramannagara Division, BCCC, Bengaluru for the work mentioned below from the registered Contractors of BCCC or equivalent Registration with CPWD / KPWD / Railways / MES or any State Government Organizations.

(Standard Tender Document - KW-02)

Sl. No.	Name of the Work / Category
1	Removing of Debris under Flyover Kasturinagara in Ward No. 109, Benniganahalli. **(Others) - Estimated Amount (Rs. in Lakhs): 21.00, EMD (in Rs.): 50,000/-**

Calendar of Events: 1) Tender Document can be downloaded from the GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in. 2)** Last Date for Uploading the Filled Proposals: **07-02-2026 upto 16.30 Hours. 3)** Date of Opening of Technical Proposals: **09-02-2026 at 16.30 Hours. 4)** Date of Opening of Financial Proposals: **10-02-2026 at 16.30 Hours.** Further details can be had from the above office.

Sd/- Executive Engineer
C.V. Ramannagara Division, BCCC.

Bank of Baroda — ATTIBELE BRANCH

बैंक ऑफ़ बड़ौदा Bank of Baroda

No.61, Sarjapura Road, Indlubele Village, Attibele, Hobli, Bengaluru-562107

Ref No. BOB/VJATTI/NPA/10/2025-26/98 Date 30.01.2026

ANNEXURE - I - REDEMPTION NOTICE

To, Mr. Asit Kumar Patel S/o Narendra Kumar Patel, Communication Address: # 2312, 1st Floor, 16th Cross 27th Main, HSR Layout Sector 1, Opp NIFT College, Bengaluru, Karnataka-56102, **Permanent Address:** Rengalbeda, Laikera, Laikera, Jharsuguda, Odisha 768215.

Re: REDEMPTION NOTICE FOR EXERCISING THE RIGHT UNDER SECTION 13 (8) OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002.
Ref:- 1.Demand Notice dated 04.11.2025 issued u/s 13 (2) of SARFAESI Act 2002.
2.Possession Notice dated 29.01.2026_issued u/s 13 (4) of SARFAESI Act 2002.
3.Date of Publication of Possession Notice (For Immovable property only): 29.01.2026
Dear Sir/Madam,

Whereas the Authorised Officer of the **Bank of Baroda, Attibele** being Secured Creditor Bank in exercise of the powers conferred u/s 13(2) of the SARFAESI Act 2002 (hereinafter refereed as "Act") read with Rules 3 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 (hereinafter refereed as "Rules") issued **demand notice dated 04.11.2025** calling upon you being Borrowers (s)/ Mortgagor (s) / Guarantor (s) to repay the amount stated in the said demand notice within 60 days from receipt of said notice.

And whereas you have failed to repay the amount, the undersigned in exercise of the powers conferred u/s 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 4 and/or Rule 8 of the Rules have taken over the Possession of Secured Assets (hereinafter referred as the said properties) more particularly described herein below Schedule. [Copy of Possession Notice dated 29.01.2026 is attached herewith for ready reference]

Even after taking possession of the secured asset, you have not paid the amount due to Bank as mentioned in above Possession Notice. Your attention is invited to the provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of SARFAESI Act, 2002 in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Therefore you all are requested to pay the dues as mentioned in possession notice along with applicable interest, cost, charges & expenses within 30 days from receipt of this notice and redeem the secured asset as mentioned below. In case you fail to pay the above mentioned dues & redeem the secured asset within 30 days from receipt of this notice, Bank will be constrained to sell the secured asset through public e-Auction by publication of e-Auction Sale notice. The date, time of e-auction and Reserve Price of the property shall be informed to you separately.

Schedule of Secured Assets/Properties: Residential property: Schedule A Property: Item No.1: All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted land measuring an extent of 31 (THIRTY ONE) GUNTAS comprised in Sy. No. 164/3 of S. Medahalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk (duly converted vide Official Memorandum dated: 16.12.2008 bearing No. ALN(A)SR/54/2008-09, issued by the District Commissioner, Bangalore District) and **bounded on the:** East by: Land bearing Sy. No.164/2, West by: Land bearing Sy. No.72, North by: Land bearing Sy. No.164/1, South by: Land bearing Sy. No.165.

Item No.2: All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted land measuring an extent of 25 (Twenty Five) GUNTAS comprised in Sy. No.165/1 of S.Medahalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk (duly converted vide Official Memorandum dated: 22.07.2010 bearing No.ALN(A)SR/22/2010-11, issued by the District Commissioner, Bangalore District) and **bounded on the:** East by: Land bearing Sy. No.172, West by: Land bearing Sy. No.72, North by: Land bearing Sy. No.164, South by: Land bearing Sy. No.165/2.

Schedule B Property: 0.49% undivided share, right, title and interest in Schedule A Property measuring about 299.9 sq. ft. in an undivided state has been sold to the PURCHASER by the owners/Developer under this sale deed.

Schedule C Residential Apartment: Residential Apartment having E Katha No.15D20012070121053, bearing No.328, situated in Second Floor of the building, measuring about 920 sq. ft. (85.47 sq. mtrs) of super built up area consisting of One Bed Room with RCC roofing, tiled flooring, moulded doors and aluminum windows including proportionate share in common area such as passage, lobbies, staircase, lifts and other areas for common use contained in the residential apartment complex known as "PUSHPAM E Town", now constructed on Schedule A Property with one covered car parking space exclusively earmarked for the sole and enjoyment of the PURCHASER.

All according to the plan approved by Anekal Planning Authority vide its order No.LAO/34/2012-13, dated 30.01.2013 on single site plan and order No.CCA/526/2013, dated 19.04.2013, **bounded on:** East by: Stair, West by: Apartment No. 329, North by: Common Corridor, South by: OTS Road.

CERSAI: 400037727373 MODT: REF NO. 12859/2019-20 DATED 01.01.2020
Symbolic Possession : dated 29.01.2026

Date: 30.01.2026, Place: Attibele Authorised Officer, Bank of Baroda

Bank of Baroda — ATTIBELE BRANCH

बैंक ऑफ़ बड़ौदा Bank of Baroda

No.61, Sarjapura Road, Indlubele Village, Attibele, Hobli, Bengaluru-562107

Ref No.BOB/ADV/NPA/2025-26/10/3 Date: 04.11.2025

ANNEXURE - I - REDEMPTION NOTICE

Notice under Rule 6(2) and/or Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

To, 1.Mrs.Seema Revankar W/o Robert F, Residing at # 37/6, Beereshwara Nagar, Near Green valley School, Chunchagatta, Bengaluru-560052.

Re: Notice under Rule 6(2) and/or Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (SARFAESI Act, 2002).
Ref:- 1.Demand Notice dated 01.08.2023 issued u/s 13 (2) of SARFAESI Act 2002.
2.Possession Notice dated 04.01.2024 issued u/s 13 (4) of SARFAESI Act 2002.
3.Date of Publication of Possession Notice (For Immovable property only): 07.01.2024
Dear Sir/Madam,

Whereas the Authorised Officer of the Bank of Baroda, Sarjapura Branch, Vinayaka Nagar Opp to DMart Sarjapura ,Bengaluru being Secured Creditor Bank in exercise of the powers conferred u/s 13(2) of the SARFAESI Act 2002 (hereinafter refereed as "Act") read with Rules 3 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 (hereinafter refereed as "Rules") issued **demand notice dated 28.04.2025** calling upon you being Borrowers (s)/ Mortgagor (s) / Guarantor (s) to repay the amount stated in the said demand notice within 60 days from receipt of said notice.

And whereas you have failed to repay the amount, the undersigned in exercise of the powers conferred u/s 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 4 and/or Rule 8 of the Rules have taken over the Possession of Secured Assets (hereinafter referred as the said properties) more particularly described herein below Schedule. [Copy of Possession Notice dated 04.01.2025 is attached herewith for ready reference]

Even after taking possession of the secured asset, you have not paid the amount due to Bank as mentioned in above Possession Notice. Your attention is invited to the provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of SARFAESI Act, 2002 in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Therefore, you all are requested to pay the dues as mentioned in possession notice along with applicable interest, cost, charges & expenses within 30 days from receipt of this notice and redeem the secured asset as mentioned below. In case you fail to pay the above-mentioned dues & redeem the secured asset within 30 days from receipt of this notice, Bank will be constrained to sell the secured asset through public e-Auction by publication of e-Auction Sale notice. The date, time of e-auction and Reserve Price of the property shall be informed to you separately.

Schedule of Secured Assets/Properties: Schedule A Property: Item No.1: All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted land measuring an extent of 31 (THIRTY ONE) GUNTAS comprised in Sy. No. 164/3 of S. Medahalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk (duly converted vide Official Memorandum dated: 16.12.2008 bearing No. ALN(A)SR/54/2008-09, issued by the District Commissioner, Bangalore District) and bounded on the: East by: Land bearing Sy. No.164/2, West by: Land bearing Sy. No.72, North by: Land bearing Sy. No.164/1, South by: Land bearing Sy. No.165

Item No.2: All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted land measuring an extent of 25 (Twenty Five) GUNTAS comprised in Sy. No.165/1 of S.Medahalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk (duly converted vide Official Memorandum dated: 22.07.2010 bearing No.ALN(A)SR/22/2010-11, issued by the District Commissioner, Bangalore District) and **bounded on the:** East by: Land bearing Sy. No.172, West by: Land bearing Sy. No.72, North by: Land bearing Sy. No.164, South by: Land bearing Sy. No.165/2.

Schedule B Property: 0.87% undivided share, right, title and interest in Schedule A Property measuring about 531.3 sq. ft. in an undivided state has been sold to the PURCHASER by the owners/Developer under this sale deed.

Schedule C Residential Apartment: Residential Apartment having E Katha No.150200102701020981, bearing No. 103, situated in Ground Floor of the building, measuring about 1630 sq. ft. (151.43 sq. mtrs) of super built up area consisting of Two Bed Room with RCC roofing, tiled flooring, moulded doors and aluminum windows including proportionate share in common area such as passage, lobbies, staircase, lifts and other areas for common use contained in the residential apartment complex known as "PUSHPAM E Town", now constructed on Schedule A Property with one covered car parking space exclusively earmarked for the sole and enjoyment of the PURCHASER.

All according to the plan approved by Anekal Planning Authority vide its order No. CC/526/2013-14, dated 30.10.2013 on single site plan and order No.LAO/34/2012-13, **bounded on:** East by: Apartment No.104 West by: Park, North by: Road, South by: Common corridor.

Date: 04.11.2025, Place: Attibele Authorised Officer, Bank of Baroda

PUBLIC NOTICE

Members of the public are hereby put on notice that our Client is negotiating with **Karnataka Jesuit Educational Society (Reg.)** to purchase the following Development Rights Certificates:

1. Development Right Certificate bearing No. **BDA/TDR cell/DRC/231/2025-2026** dated 17.09.2025 for an area of 578.30 sq. mts., arising from 289.15 sq. mts. of land acquired in **Sy. No. 8/3A**, bearing EPID No. 2433290156, situated in Block-I, Kalena Agrahara Village, Beguru Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru.
2. Development Right Certificate bearing No. **BDA/TDR cell/DRC/232/2025-2026** dated 17.09.2025 for an area of 1916.04 sq. mts., arising from 958.02 sq. mts. of land acquired in **Sy. No. 8/7**, bearing EPID No. 2433295917, situated in Block-II, Kalena Agrahara Village, Beguru Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru.
3. Development Right Certificate bearing No. **BDA/TDR cell/DRC/259/2025-2026** dated 18.09.2025 for an area of 2623.94 sq. mts., arising from 1311.97 sq. mts. of land acquired in **Sy. No. 8/3B and Sy. No. 8/5**, bearing EPID No. 2433217146, situated at Kalena Agrahara Village, Beguru Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru.

Any person or persons having any claim, right, title, estate or interest in respect of the above or any part thereof by way of sale, transfer, exchange, assignment, mortgage, charge, gift, trust, covenant, inheritance, claim, possession, lease, sub-lease, license, lien, share, tenancy, sub-tenancy, maintenance, possession, devise, bequest, encumbrance by operation of law or otherwise, howsoever, is hereby requested to make their claim or objections to the proposed transaction of sale in writing along with notarially/certified true copies of documentary proof to the undersigned, within 7 days from the date of publication hereof, otherwise the proposed purchase of the above Development Right Certificates shall be completed on the basis that there are no such claims or objections and such claims or objections which are not supported by notarized / certified documents are not bona fide and / or waived for all intents and purpose.

Issued by:
M/s. Catalyst Law,
Ground Floor, No. 7 Rajaram Mohan Roy Road,
Bengaluru – 560025, +91-80-49529262,
contact@catalystlaw.in; smaran.shetty@catalystlaw.in

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Website: https://karnatakabank.com
CIN: L85110KA1924PLC001128

E-AUCTION
NOTICE OF SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES ON 17.02.2026

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) / Rule 9 (1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Constructive Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer (details mentioned below), will be sold on **"As is where is" and "As is what is" basis on 17.02.2026** at the below mentioned timings for recovery of dues with further interest and cost thereon due to the **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

The details are as under: Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposits details are as under & the Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before **16.02.2026 at 4.00 pm** through online payment to the Account No. details of which are given below or by way of DD favouring **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

Sl. No.	Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors/ Co-Obligants and Loan Account No.	Balance O/S Rs. Future Interest From + Costs	Possession Date Possession Type	Description of the Property/ies	Reserve Price (Rs.)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs.	Auction Time	Incremental Value of the Bid	Branch Name & Account Details for Remitting EMD/ IFSC Code
2	**(1) M/s Sri Balaji Enterprises, Represented by its Proprietor: Mr.Chandrashekar Varma K (2) Mr. Chandrashekar Varma K,** S/o Mr. K Narayana Raju **(3) Mrs. Nalluri Jayalakshmi** W/o Mr. Chandrashekar Varma K, **All are residing at :** Flat No.001, Gulmohar Residency, Site No.1A, BBMP Ward No.08, Kodigehalli Village, Bengaluru North Taluk, Karnataka-560092. **Loan A/c No.: PSOD A/c No 1217000600022201**	**Rs.92,74,521.11 [Rupees Ninety Two Lakh Seventy Four Thousand Five Hundred Twenty One and Paise Eleven Only]** **01.01.2026**	**07.08.2025 & Constructive**	All that part and parcel of residential Flat Property situated at **Flat No 001,** on the Ground Floor of the apartment known as **"GULMOHARE RESIDENCY",** at site No .1A, Khata No 562/1354/1370/1371/1-2, F-No.-001 and BBMP Ward No.08 situated at Yelahanka Zone, Kodigehalli Village Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru-560092 measuring super built up area of 1094 Sq Ft along with one car parking space and UDS of 339 Sq Ft belonging to **Mr. Chandrashekar Varma K. Boundaries of property as per Document : East** : Site No 3, **West** :Remaining portion of property No. 1A, **North :** 30 feet Road, **South** : Private property. **Boundaries of Flat: East :** Entrance/ Corridor, **West :** Open to Sky , **North :** Open to Sky, **South :** Flat No .002.	**Rs. 67,00,000.00 (Rupees Sixty Seven Lakh Only Only)**	**Rs. 6,70,000.00/- (Rupees Six Lakh Seventy Thousand Only)**	**10.45 AM to 11.00 AM**	**Rs. 50,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch : Bengaluru – Sahakaranagar A/c No: 1213500200004101 IFSC:KARB0000121**
2	**(1) M/s H and S Food Works, Represented by its proprietrix: Mrs. Vemireddy Sirisha, Addressed at :** No.99, 2nd Cross, Behind Omax Auto Factory, Bommasandra, Bengaluru-560099, **(2) Mrs. Vemireddy Sirisha** W/o Vemireddy Haranath Reddy **(3) Mr. Vemireddy Haranath Reddy** S/o Vemireddy Srinivasulu Reddy **(4) Mr. Vemireddy Srinivasulu Reddy** S/o Krishna Reddy **(5) Mrs. Vemireddy Hymavathamma** W/o Vemireddy Srinivasulu **Reddy, No.2 to 5 are addressed at :** No.B-001, Ground Floor, Sree Sree Shine Apartments, Venkateshwara Layout, Bommasandra, Bengaluru- 560099 **Loan A/c Nos.: (1) PSTL A/c No.9067001800021401 (2) PDPN A/c No.9067001400001401**	**Total Rs. Rs.1,46,52,437.49 [Rupees One Crore Forty Six Lakhs Fifty Two Thousand Four Hundred Thirty Seven and Paisa Forty Nine Only]** **[(1) Rs. 1,38,38,415.15** **02.01.2026** **(2) Rs. 8,14,022.34** **25.01.2026]**	**10.03.2025** **Physical**	All that part and parcel of two bed room **Residential Flat No.B-303,** on **third floor,** in the **residential apartment** building complex known as **"Sree Sree Shine"** measuring super built up area of **925 Sq.ft,** along with **296 Sq.ft** of undivided share, right, title and interest in the land area measuring **20,250 Sq.ft,** and one covered car parking in the stilt floor, and proportionate rights in common areas and amenities, constructed on **Residential Site No.41, Hennagara Panchayath Khata No.188/41,** carved out of **Sy.No.27/1** of Yarandahalli Village, situated at Off Jigani Link Road, Jigani Hobli, Bengaluru Urban District, Bengaluru , belonging to **Mrs. Vemireddy Sirisha. Boundaries of property as per Document : East :** Property belonging to Mr. Bhadra Reddy, **West :** Site No.40, **North :** Road, **South :** Property belonging to Mr. Bajja Reddy, **Boundaries of Flat as per Document : East :** Open to Sky, **West** : Corridor & Flat No.B-306 , **North :** Stair Case and Flat No.B-302, **South :** Open to Sky and Flat No.B-304. **Property Location: Latitude & Longitude:12.814679, 77.673381**	**Rs. 30,00,000/- (Rupees Thirty Lakhs Only)**	**Rs. 3,00,000/- (Rupees Three Lakh Only)**	**12.30 PM to 12.45 PM**	**Rs. 50,000//-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru – Bommasandra A/c No: 9063500200004101 IFSC:KARB0000906**
3	**(1) Mr. Mahesh M,** S/o Mr.Mohanaiah **(2) Mrs.Vijayalaxmi M Hiremath,** W/o Mahesh M. Both Residing at: No.23, 1st Floor, ASHIRWAD Building , 1st Main Road, Behind Sun Orthopedic Hospital, Brindavan Nagar, Mathikere, Bangalore-560054. **Loan A/c No.: TL A/c No.9197001600017001**	**Rs.55,51,840.68 [Rupees Fifty Five Lakh Fifty One Thousand Eight Hundred Forty and Paise Sixty Eight Only]** **30.01.2026**	**29.09.2025** **Constructive**	All that piece and parcel of Northern Portion of Property bearing **Site No.11, Municipal Khata No.1411/11,** measuring East to West:50 feet and North to South:20 feet, totally Land measuring **950 Sq.ft (1000 sq.ft** as per Document), situated at Bandemutt, Kengeri Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru, and the building constructed thereon belonging to **Mr. Mahesh M** **Boundaries of property as per Document & Actual: East by:** Road, **West by** : Private Property, **North by:** Private Property, **South by:** Southern Portion of Property No.11. **Location of the property: 12.902436'N : 77.533372'E**	**Rs. 71,01,000/- (Rupees Seventy One Lakh And One Thousand Only)**	**Rs. 7,10,100/- (Rupees Seven Lakh Ten Thousand One Hundred Only)**	**12.15 PM to 12.30 PM**	**Rs. 50,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch : Bengaluru– Kasavanahalli A/c No: 9193500200004101 IFSC:KARB0000919**

(The borrower's/mortgagor's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset).
(This Notice shall also serve as Notice under Sub Rule (6) of Rule (8)Sub Rule (1) of Rule (9) of Security Interest Enforcement Rules-2002 to the Borrower/Guarantors).
For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer to link in Karnataka Bank's Website i.e. https://karnatakabank.com under the head "Regulatory and others".
The E-auction will be conducted through portal www.auctionbazaar.com on **17.02.2026** at above mentioned time with unlimited extension of 05 minutes. The intending bidder is required to register their name at **www.auctionbazaar.com** and get the user Id and password free of cost and get training i.e. online training on E-auction (tentatively on **16.02.2026**) from **M/s Auction Bazaar, 7-1-28/1/A/1 Park Avenue 1, Ameerpet, Begumpet, Hyderabad, Secunderbad, Telangana, India, 500016, Contact Mobile No. 8885035382, E-mail : disposal.karnataka@auctionbazaar.com.**

Date : 30.01.2026
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Assistant General Manager & Authorised Officer, Karnataka Bank Ltd.

AXIS BANK

Retail Lending and Payment Group (South Zonal Office/Branch): Axis Bank Ltd, # 45 Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Regional Passport Office, Near: Urvashi Theatre, Lalbagh Road, Lalbagh, Bangalore – 560 027.
Axis Bank Ltd., 3rd Floor, Gigaplex, NPC – 1, TTC Industrial Area, Mugalsan Road, Airoli, Navi Mumbai – 400 708. Registered Office: "Trishul", 3rd Floor Opp. Samartheshwar Temple Law Garden, Ellisbridge, Ahmedabad – 380006.

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Public notice for Sale/Auction of immovable properties {Under SARFAESI Act read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules}

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property is mortgaged/charged to the secured creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of Secured Creditor will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is"** on **19.02.2026 for recovery of Rs.63,21,863/- (Rupees Sixty Three Lakhs Twenty One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty Three Only)** being the amount due as on **31.12.2025** with future interest and costs due to the secured creditor from **(1) Mrs. Presilda Doulgas Vadakot,** No.138, 4th Main Poorana Pranjan Layout, 3rd Stage, Banashankari Bangalore-560085. **Also at: Mrs. Presilda Doulgas Vadakot Teacher Moessori,** Max and Mary AG Robert Koch Str. 94 53127, Bonn, Germany. **(2) Mr. Pradeep Suresh Karinahalli** S/o K SURESH BABU , No. 138, 4th Main Poorana Pranjan Layout, 3rd Stage, Banashankari Bangalore-560085. **Also At: Mr. Pradeep Suresh Karinahalli Project Management Associate, IBM INDIA PVT LTD.,** No. 3K. Sarjapura Road, Koramangala Industrial Layout, Bangalore-560034. **Loan Account Ref No.6778.** Please refer the appended auction schedule for necessary details:

Known Encumbrances (If any)	**NIL**
Reserve Price (in Rs.)	**Rs. 54,50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Four Lakhs Fifty Thousand Only)**
Earnest Money Deposit (in Rs.)	**Rs.5,45,000/-(Rupees Five Lakhs Forty Five Thousand Only)** through DD/PO in favor of 'Axis Bank Ltd.' payable at Bangalore.
Bid Incremental Amount	**Rs. 50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand only)**
Last Date, Time and Venue for Submission of Bids / Tender with EMD	**Till 18.02.2026 latest by 05:00 P.M. at Axis Bank Ltd, # 45 Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Regional Passport Office, Near: Urvashi Theatre, Lalbagh Road, Lalbagh, Bangalore–560 027, Addressed to Mr. Raghunath**
Date, Time, and Venue for Public E Auction	**On 19.02.2026 between 11.00 A.M and 12.00 Noon with unlimited extensions of 5 minutes each at web portal https://www.bankeauctions.com e-auction tender documents containing e-auction bid form, declaration etc., are available in the website of the Service Provider as mentioned above.**

DETAILS OF ENTIRE PROPERTY:

SCHEDULE-A: All that piece and parcel of Immovable property bearing Bruhath Bengalore Mahanagar palike assigned Municipal Katha no. 569/101/3/26,27 (Earlier to that BBMP assigned Muncipal Khatha no's 569/101/3/26 and 568/101/3/27) situated at Virupakshapura, Amaruthalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli. Bengaluru, North Taluk, within Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palik ward No.7, Amaruthhalli, in all measuring 9050Sq.ft and property is bounded as under: East By : Road, West By : Property No.14A, North By : Property No.27, South By : Road.

SCHEDULE-B : (Description of undivided share in schedule A Property conveyed) 568 Sq.ft of undivided right, title, interest and ownership in the land comprised in the schedule A Property.

SCHEDULE-C : (Description of the Apartment Conveyed) Residential Apartment bearing F01, measuring 1155 Sq.ft of super built up area (inclusive of proportionate share in all the common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircases and other areas of common use) situated on First Floor of multistoried residential apartment building called "COCOON" constructed on Schedule A Property and with One exclusive car parking space demarcated in the Stilt Floor of said residential apartment building. Roof: RCC Walls: Bricks Flooring: Tiles Doors and Windows: Glass and Wooden And provided with Electricity, Water Supply connections and sanitary and sewerage disposal connections.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in the secured creditor's website i.e. https://www.axisbank.com/auction-retail and the Bank's approved service provider M/s C1 India Private Limited at their web portal https://www.bankeauctions.com

The auction will be conducted online through the Bank's approved service provider M/s.C1 India Private Limited at their web portal **https://www.bankeauctions.com.** For any other assistance, the intending bidders may contact **Mr. Raghunath & Mr.Karthick.R at Axis Bank Ltd,** # 45 Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Regional Passport Office, Near: Urvashi Theatre, Lalbagh Road, Lalbagh, Bangalore-560027 **(Mobile No.9886960484 & +91-9080589635, Authorized officer of the Bank during office hours from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

This Notice should be considered as 15 Days' Notice to the Borrowers/ Co-borrowers/Guarantors under Rule 8(6) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) (Amendment) Rules, 2002.

Date : 30.01.2026
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
AXIS BANK LTD.,

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ

ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜನೀಯರರು, ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ, ವಿಭಾಗ ಕಾರವಾರ

ಸಂ: ಕಾ.ನಿ.ಇಂ./ಲೋ.ಇ.ವಿ.ಕಾ/ಪಿ.ಬಿ-1/ಟೆಂಡರ-28/2025-26/4879 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 29-01-2026

ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ ಆಹ್ವಾನ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ (ಇ-ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್)

ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನ ಕೋಷ್ಟಕದಲ್ಲಿ ವಿವರಿಸಿರುವ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗಾಗಿ ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜನೀಯರರು, ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಕಾರವಾರ ಇವರಿಂದ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು ಕೋಷ್ಟಕದಲ್ಲಿ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿರುವ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆಯನ್ನು ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಮಾತ್ರ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವದು. ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆಯನ್ನು ವಹಿಸಲು ಅರ್ಹರಾಗಬೇಕಾದಲ್ಲಿ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು (ಕೆಸಿ-8) ರಲ್ಲಿ ನಿಗದಿಪಡಿಸಿರುವ ಷರತ್ತುಗಳನ್ನು ಗಮನಿಸುವದು.

(1) ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದ ವಿಚಾರಣೆಗೆ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿ: 09-02-2026 16.30 ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ (2) ಟೆಂಡರನ್ನು ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿ: 10-02-2026 16.30 ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ (3) ಟೆಂಡರನ ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿ: 11-02-2026 17.00 ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ (4) ಟೆಂಡರನ ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿ: 13-02-2026 17.00 ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ

ಲೆಕ್ಕಶೀರ್ಷಿಕೆ: 5054-80-190-0-01-132 KRDCL During 2025-26 ವರ್ಕ ಇನಡೆಂಟ್ (1) PWD/2025-26/SE0995

(ಕೆಸಿ-8) ರಲ್ಲಿನ ನಿಭಂದನೆಗಳನ್ನು ಮುಂದಿನ ದಿನಗಳಲ್ಲಿ e-proc ನಲ್ಲಿ ಸೂಚಿಸಲಾದ ನಿಭಂದನೆಗಳನ್ನು ಇಲಾಖಾ ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಅಂದರೆ "https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in" ನೋಡಬಹುದು. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ help desk Bangalore (Phone No. 918025501216 & 918025501227) ಇವರನ್ನು ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬಹುದು.

ಸಹಿ/- ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು,
ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ, ವಿಭಾಗ, ಕಾರವಾರ

DIPR/ADK/KSMCA/1008/25-26 dt. 30.01.2026

Can Fin Homes Ltd
Jayanagar Branch
"SAJINI", # 69 (Old No.35)
Ground Floor, 12th Main
Jayanagar 3rd Block, Bangalore-560011
Mob:7625079101, Ph: 080-26630501
E-mail Id: jayanagar@canfinhomes.com
CIN:L85110KA1987PLC008699

CORRIGENDUM

Please refer the advertisement of **"Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties"** dated 30-01-2026 of Borrowers: **Sri Sunil C (Borrower) and Smt. Sidgan gangamma (Co Borrower) and Sri Ajay C** (Guarantors), Published on 31.01.2026 in The New Indian Express, read the property details as follows : All that piece and parcel of the residential immovable property bearing Site no. 89, formed out of Sy. no. 244, New Sy. no. 244/4, Situated at Basaveshwara Layout, Sondekoppa Village, Dasanapura Hobli, Bnagalore North Taluk, Bangalore-562162 , Site measuring East to West: 40-0 feet and North to South: 20-0 feet, in all measuring 800 Sq., ft., along with 12 Square of RCC roofed house with all civic amenities and bounded on : East by: Site No-76, North by: Site No-88A , West by: Road, South by : Site No-90,

All other terms & conditions mentioned remain same.

Date: 31.01.2026 Sd/- Authorised Officer
Place: Jayanagar Can Fin Homes Ltd.

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NOTICE

Form No. INC-26
[Pursuant to Rule 30 of the Companies (Incorporation) Rules, 2014]
BEFORE THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT (REGIONAL DIRECTOR), SOUTH EAST REGION, HYDERABAD
IN THE MATTER OF SECTION 13(4) OF COMPANIES ACT, 2013 AND RULE 30 OF THE COMPANIES (INCORPORATION) RULES, 2014
AND
IN THE MATTER OF TEKROP PROPERTIES PRIVATE LIMITED, HAVING ITS REGISTERED OFFICE AT Sy No 70/3, Keshava Industrial Area Gollarahatti, Lakshmipura po Dasanapura, Bangalore – 560091... PETITIONER

Notice is hereby given to the General Public that the Company proposes to make application to the Central Government under Section 13 of the Companies Act, 2013, seeking confirmation of alteration of Memorandum of Association of the Company in terms of Special Resolution passed at the Extra Ordinary General Meeting held on Thursday, the 8th January, 2026 to enable the Company to change its Registered Office from the "State of Karnataka to the State of Tamil Nadu".

Any person whose interest is likely to be affected by the proposed change of the Registered Office of the Company may deliver either on the MCA-21 portal (www.mca.gov.in) by filing investor complaint form or cause to be delivered or send by Registered Post his/her objections supported by an affidavit stating the nature of his/her interest and ground of opposition to the Central Government acting through the Regional Director, South East Region, Hyderabad at the address 3rd Floor, Corporate Bhawan, Bandlaguda, Nagole, Tattiannaram Village, Hayat Nagar Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Hyderabad-500 068, Telangana within 14 days of the date of publication of this notice with a copy to the Applicant Company at its Registered Office address mentioned below:

Sy No 70/3, Keshava Industrial Area Gollarahatti, Lakshmipura po Dasanapura, Bangalore – 560091.

For and on behalf of
TEKROP PROPERTIES PRIVATE LIMITED (Petitioner)
Sd/-
BETHI REDDY TEJ NARASA REDDY
Director
DIN: 07147878

Date: 01.02.2026
Place: Bangalore, Karnataka

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ

ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರವರ ಕಛೇರಿ ಪಂಚಾಯತ ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಯಾದಗಿರ.

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:ಕಾಪಾಅ/ಪಂರಾಇಂ/ವಿಯಾ/ಕೆಕೆಆರ್‌ಡಿಬಿ/2025-26/ 1762 ದಿನಾಂಕ:30.01.2026

ಸಂಕ್ಷಿಪ್ತ ಟೆಂಡರ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ (ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ) KW- 3

(ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಮಾತ್ರ)

1) ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳ ವಿವರ.: 1) ಸುರಪುರ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನ ಬಾದ್ಯಾಪುರ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಬಾದ್ಯಾಪುರ ದೊಡ್ಡಿಯ ರಸ್ತೆಗೆ ಸಿ.ಡಿ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ. RDPR/2025-26/RD/WORK_INDENT23814 YAD251522397 2)ಸುರಪುರ ಕೆಂಭಾವಿ ಮುಖ್ಯ ರಸ್ತೆಯಿಂದ ಮಾಚಗುಂಡಾಳ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ವರೆಗೆ ರಸ್ತೆ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ. RDPR/2025-26/RD/WORK_INDENT23807 YAD2515223102 2) ಲೆಕ್ಕ ಶೀರ್ಷಿಕೆ: 2025-26ನೇ ಕೆ.ಕೆ.ಆರ್.ಡಿ.ಬಿ. ಯೋಜನೆ 3) ಟೆಂಡರಗಿಟ್ಟ ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ: ಕನಿಷ್ಠ 60.00 ಮತ್ತು ಗರಿಷ್ಠ ರೂ. 62.42 ಲಕ್ಷ 4) ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರ ದರ್ಜೆ:3ನೇ ದರ್ಜೆ ಮೇಲ್ಪಟ್ಟು 5) ಟೆಂಡರ ಫಾರಂ ಪಡೆಯಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 31.01.2026 ರಿಂದ 07.02.2026 ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 4:00 ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ 6) ಟೆಂಡರ ಅರ್ಜಿ ಬೆಲೆ ಮತ್ತು ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ. ಮೊತ್ತ: ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ನಮೂದಿಸಿದಂತೆ (ಅರ್ಜಿ ಶುಲ್ಕು ಹಿಂದಿರುಗಿಸಲಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲಾ) 7) ಟೆಂಡರ ಫಾರಂ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಅಂತಿಮ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 07.02.2026 ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 4:00 ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ 8) ಟೆಂಡರ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ಡ್: 09.02.2026 ಬೆಳ್ಳಿಗೆ 11:00 ನಂತರ 9) ಟೆಂಡರ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ಡ್ :13.02.2026 ಬೆಳ್ಳಿಗೆ 11:00 ನಂತರ 10) ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬೇಕಾದ ವಿಳಾಸ (ಕಛೇರಿ ಅವಧಿಯಲ್ಲಿ) :ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರವರ ಕಛೇರಿ ಪಂಚಾಯತ ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಯಾದಗಿರ. 11) ಅಂತರಜಾಲ ತಾಣದ ವಿಳಾಸ: https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in

ಸೂಚನೆ :- ಟೆಂಡರರಿಗೆ ಸಂಬಂದಿಸಿದ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಳನ್ನು ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಯಿಂದ ಕಛೇರಿ ಅವಧಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಅಥವಾ https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/ ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು (ರಜಾದಿನಗಳು ಹೊರತುಪಡಿಸಿ).

ಸಹಿ/- ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು,
ಪಂಚಾಯತ್ ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ,
ಯಾದಗಿರ.

ವಾ.ಸಾ.ಸಂ.ಇ/ಯಾದಗಿರ/504/ಕೆ.ಎಸ್.ಎಂ.ಸಿ.&ಎ/2025-26

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL - I, BENGALURU
BSNL Building, 4th Floor, Telephone House,
Raj Bhavan Road, Bengaluru, Pincode - 560001.

NOTICE FOR SETTLING A SALE PROCLAMATION

(See Sections 25 to 28 of the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act, 1993 r/w Rule 48 to 51 of the II Schedule to the Income Tax Act, 1961)

DRC No. 7022 IN O.A. No. 652 / 2012

Between :
Canara Bank
[E-Syndicate Bank]
SHANTHI NAGAR BRANCH
(Now with ARM 2 Branch, Bengaluru) ... Certificate Holder
And
Sri. HEMANTH G. RAO & Others ... Certificate Debtors
1. Sri. Hemanth G. Rao S/o. Govinda Rao
Res. At : No. 35, 1st Main, Bharathi Layout, Dharmaram College Post, Bengaluru - 560 029.
2. Smt. Suchitra V. Keshvan W/o. Hemanth G. Rao.
Res. At : No. 35, 1st Main, Bharathi Layout, Dharmaram College Post, Bengaluru - 560 029.
3. Sri. G.B. Kishore Rao S/o. Late G. Rao
No. 42/10, 4th Main, 9th Cross, Srinivasanagar, Bengaluru - 560 085.
4.Smt. Shanthi B.K. W/o. Govinda Rao
No. 42/10, 4th Main, 9th Cross, Srinivasanagar, Bengaluru - 560 085.

Whereas in execution of certificate **DRC No. 7022 in O.A. 652 / 2012** issued by the **Presiding Officer, Debts Recovery Tribunal - I, Bengaluru,** the undersigned has ordered the sale of the under mentioned properties.

You are hereby informed that the day on or after the fifteenth day from the date of service of this notice has been fixed for drawing up the proclamation of sale and settling the terms thereof, you are requested to bring to the notice of the undersigned any encumbrances, charges, claims or liabilities attaching to the said properties or any portion thereof.

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Residential House bearing BBMP No. 35 (Constructed on SIte No. 74) First Main Road, Bharathi Layout (Formerly known as Sudduguntepalya), Ward No. 63, Thavarekere Hobli, Dharmaram College Post, Bangalore - 560029, Measuring : East to West 30 Feet and North to South 40 Feet with Ground and First Floor Building, standing thereon and bounded on the : **East by :** Property No. 75, **West by :** Property No. 73, **North by :** Road, **South by :** Property No. 78.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Tribunal, this **15.09.2025**

P.H. HEMANTH KUMAR, IRS
RECOVERY OFFICER

ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರವರ ಕಛೇರಿ, ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ, ವಿದ್ಯುತ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಕೆ.ಆರ್. ವೃತ್ತ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು.

ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 080-22112809

ಸಂ: ಕಾ.ಇಂ(ವಿ)/ಲೋ.ಇ/ವಿದ್ಯುತ್/2025-26/2647 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 31.01.2026

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು (ವಿದ್ಯುತ್), ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ವಿದ್ಯುತ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಇವರ ವತಿಯಿಂದ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯನ್ನು **KW-4 STD** ಷರತ್ತುಗೊಳಪಟ್ಟಂತೆ ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನ ಎರಡನೇ ಕರೆಯನ್ನು ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ ಮೂಲಕ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನ್ನು ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ವಿವರ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತಿದೆ.

Sl. No.	Name of Work	Work Value (Rs. in Lakhs)
1	Providing VRF air conditioning system, electrification, LED energy saving fixtures, power points, UPS points, LAN points, Online UPS system, power DBs with all connected electrical works to Newly Proposed Main Computer Centre in Mezzanine floor of Food Court Building, High Court of Karnataka, Bangalore. PWD/2025-26/EL/WORK_INDENT32419/CALL-2	166.22

ಮೇಲಿನ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಲು ಇಚ್ಚಿಸುವವರು ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** ನಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಡಾಕ್ಯೂಮೆಂಟ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಡೌನ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲು **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 31.01.2026 ರಿಂದ 07.02.2026, 16:00 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ** ಹಾಗೂ ಭರ್ತಿ ಮಾಡಿದ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಹಿಂತಿರುಗಿಸುವ **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 07.02.2026 ರಂದೆ 16:00 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ** ನಿಗದಿಪಡಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಹಾಗೂ ಪೂರ್ವಭಾವಿ ಸಭೆಯನ್ನು ದಿನಾಂಕ: **04.02.2026 ರಂದು 12:00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ** ನಿಗದಿಪಡಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಸದರಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು **Karnataka Public Procurement Portal** ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ ಈ ಕೆಳಗೆ ಸಹಿ ಮಾಡಿರುವ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಕಛೇರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆಲಸದ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬಹುದು.

ಸಹಿ/- ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು(ವಿ).

ವಾಸಾಸಂಇ/ಉನಿ-ಸಿ.ಪಿ/5322/ಕೆಎಸ್‌ಎಂಸಿಎ/2025-26

ESTD: 1907

THE BANGALORE CITY CO-OP. BANK LTD.,

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE: NO.3, Pampamahakahvi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore -18
Office ☎ 26678572 : 26600512 : 26609066. Tele Fax: (080)26617980, Web : bccbl.co.in, E -mail : recovery@bccbl.co.in

(Rule 8 (1) POSSESSION NOTICE (for immovable property) (Symbolically)

Whereas the undersigned being the authorised officer of **The Bangalore City Co.operative Bank Ltd.,** A.O., No.3, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore-18 under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Ordinance, 2002 (Ord. 3 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued and demand notice calling upon the undersigned borrowers/ legal heirs to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers /legal heirs having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers /legal heirs and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said Ordinance read with rule 9 of the said rule.

The borrowers / legal heirs in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of The Bangalore City Co.operative Bank Ltd., A.O., No.3, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore-18.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Sl.No.	Name of the Loanee	Balance Outstanding	Particulars of Immovable Property & Measurement
VIJAYANAGAR BRANCH			
01	Sri. Jayarame Gowda	Demand Notice Dated : 19.11.2025 Possession Notice Dated : 27.01.2026 Balance outstanding: Rs. 27,51,205/- as on : 27.01.2026	Property & Measurement :- **No.333, Kavika Layout, formed by Kavika Employees House Building Co-Op., Society Ltd., in diff, Sy. No. of Kempapura Agrahara & Bytarayanapura, BBMP Ward No. 42 & New Ward No. 133 of Hampinagar, PID No. 42-52-333, Bengaluru.** Measuring: **East to West : 30 feet & North to South : 20 feet** **East by :** Site No. 499, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Site No. 334, **South by :** Site No. 332.
02	Sri. Naseeruddin. M @ Nasiruddin. M	Demand Notice Dated : 17.10.2025 Possession Notice Dated : 27.01.2026 Balance outstanding: Rs. 25,88,402/- as on : 27.01.2026	Property & Measurement :- **New No. 25/6/11, PID No. 43-52-256/11, Old Site No. 256, 1st Main Road, Devaraj urs Nagar, Hindu Burial Ground, Padarayanapura, BBMP Ward No. 136 of Jagajeevanram Nagar, Bengaluru.** Measuring: **East to West : 25 feet & North to South : 20 feet** **East by :** Corporation Land , **West by :** Road, **North by :** Road, **South by :** Site No. 255.
H.R.B.R. LAYOUT BRANCH			
03	Smt. Umadevi. M Guarantor 1) Sandeep C J	Demand Notice Dated : 25.11.2025 Possession Notice Dated: 28.01.2026 Balance outstanding: Rs. 63,97,305/- as on : 28.01.2026	Property & Measurement:- **NewNo.3/1, Old No.03, Previous No.17, 11thCross, Jayamahal Extension, BBMP Ward No.92 & New Ward No.63 of Jayamahal, PID No.92-27-3/1, Bengaluru.** Measuring: **EasttoWest:39feet&NorthtoSouth:14feet** **East by :** Road, **West by :** Site No.10 of Private Property, **North by :** Site No.18 of Private Property, **Southby :** Property of the Donor.

Date: 31.01.2026
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorized Officer
The Bangalore City Co-operative Bank Ltd.,

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

ICICI Bank Branch Office: ICICI Bank Ltd. 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanhalli Hosur Main Road Bangalore- 560068

The Authorised ICICI Bank Officer under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued Demand Notices to the borrower(s) mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said Notice.

Having failed to repay the amount, the Notice is issued to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described below, by exercising powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property. Any dealings with the property will be subject to charges of ICICI Bank Limited.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower(s)/ Loan Account Number	Description of Property/ Date of Symbolic Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs)	Name of Branch
1.	C Dinakar/ C Venkata Subbamma/ LBTRU00006619306/ TBTRU00006396379	Schedule-A The Property Situated Within The Municipal Limits of Hindupur Residential Area Within The Sro of Hindupurand R.D. Hindupur of, Sri Sathya Sai District. This Property Documents No. 10385/2022 Link Document No:1614/1997 Classification Part- 3/ Ward -1/ Block-3/ T.S.No -321/ Square Feet-808/ Paiki "71.75" Square Yards Measurements. East West: 31.50 Feet or 9.608 Meters North-South: 20.50 Feet or 6.253 Meters Which Means Total Land Extent" 71.75 Square Yards" Boundaries East: Hanumantharao House West: Municipal Road North: Konacharula House South: Municipal Road" In These Above Boundaries The Above Mentioned Property Full./ Symbolic Possession on/ 29/01/2026.	15.09.2025 Rs. 11,13,675.00/-	Tirupati

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/guarantors(s) is/are hereby issued a 30 day Notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold after 30 days from the date of publishing this Notice, as per the provisions under Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Date: January 31, 2026
Place: Bangalore

Sincerely Authorised Officer
For ICICI Bank Ltd.

HDFC BANK

HDFC BANK LIMITED

Regd Office: HDFC Bank House, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel (West), Mumbai - 400013
Branch Office: HDFC Bank Ltd, HDFC House, No.51, Kasturba Road, Bengaluru-560 001
Tel:-080-41183000, CIN L65920MH1994PLC080618 Website: www.hdfcbank.com

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas the Authorised Officer of HDFC Bank Limited (erstwhile HDFC Limited having amalgamated with **HDFC Bank Limited** by virtue of a Scheme of Amalgamation approved by Hon'ble NCLT-Mumbai vide order dated 17th March 2023) (HDFC), under the Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 ("said Act") and in exercise of powers conferred under Section13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notices under Section 13 (2) of the said Act, calling upon the following borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) and Legal Representative(s) to pay the amounts mentioned against their respective names together with interest thereon at the applicable rates as mentioned in the said notices, within 60 days from the date of the said Notice/s, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc till the date of payment and / or realization.

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower (s) / Legal Heir(s) and Legal Representative(s)	Outstanding Dues	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession	Description of The Property
1	Mr P Nagaraju (Borrower) B Roopa (Co-Borrower)	Loan A/c Nos. 1) 632875691 : Rs.26,31,694/- 2) 632875804 : Rs. 8,36,733/- 3) 634861484 : Rs. 1,05,218/- 4) 635028686 : Rs. 79,066/- Total Amount: (Rs.36,52,711/- (Rupees Thirty Six Lakh Fifty Two Thousand Seven Hundred and Eleven Only) as on 31.10.2025	31.10.2025	31.01.2026	All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Site **No.251,** LIG, S&S, CMC, in the layout formed by KHB, situated at Mahadeshwara Nagar, Ward No.31, Channapattana Town, Ramanagar District, admeasuring East to West: **12.00 Mtrs,** North to South: **09.00 Mtrs,** and bounded as follows: **East by** : Road, **West by** : Site No.260 LIG, **North by :** Site No.250 LIG, **South by** : Site No.252 LIG. Along with the building constructed on the site thereon, present and future.
2	Mrs. Rampur Jayalakshmi (Borrower)	Loan A/c No 1) 621892405 : Rs.49,11,114/- 2) 622848402 : Rs. 5,51,615/- Total Amount : Rs.54,62,729/- (Rupees Fifty Four Lakh Sixty Two Thousand Seven Hundred and Twenty Nine Only) as on 30.09.2025	06.11.2025	30.01.2026	All that piece and parcel of residential two bedroom flat bearing No.210, in the Second Floor, of the apartment building known as **"OMEGA ASTER",** having a super built up area of **1040 Sq. feet** with one covered car parking space with proportionate share of **450 sq. feet** of undivided share, right title and interest in the land bearing Sy No.88, and present BBMP Katha No.59/88/1, No.D.A.516/2013-14, earlier portion of BBMP Katha No.59/88, No.DA/271/2013-14, situated at Chokkanahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bengaluru.
3	Mr. Kumar Ashish (Borrower)	Loan A/c No. 666303391 Rs.32,25,297/- (Rupees Thirty Two Lakhs Twenty Five Thousand Two Hundred and Ninety Seven Only) as on 30.09.2025	27.10.2025	30.01.2026	**Schedule A :** All that piece and parcel of the undeveloped converted land converted vide conversion order dated 01-06-2016, bearing No.ALN(N)(Y)SR:96/2015-16, issued by Deputy commissioner, Bengaluru District bearing Sy.No.32/1, BBMP.NO.12, measuring 01-20 Acres, situated Chikkasandra Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Benagluru north Taluk, Bengaluru bounded on the: **East by** : Land Bearing Sy.No.32/2. **West by** : Govt Halla, **North by** : Lands of Sy.No.32/5 & Road in Sy.No.32/5, **South by** : Land of Sy.No.28 **Schedule B:** An undivided share in the land of schedule-A-property equivalent to 317 square feet with all right, title, interest and ownership of the land the total land of schedule-A- property referred to above. **Schedule C:** All the piece and parcel of **Flat No.002**, Block C in Ground Floor, Super Built Up Area Measuring **985 Square Feet** and carpet area measuring 640 square feet constructed over the schedule A property containing 2 bedrooms, Kitchen, dining, toilets, living room, with One Car Parking bearing No.002, in the apartment known as **DS-MAX SONATA',** together with an undivided share, right, title and interest of land as specified in schedule-B property referred above, along with water and electricity together with common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircase and other areas for common use.

*with further interest as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc incurred till the date of payment and / or realization.

However, since the borrower/s mentioned hereinabove have failed to repay the amounts due, notice is hereby given to the borrower/s mentioned hereinabove in particular and to the public in general that the Authorised Officer/s of HDFC have taken **symbolic** possession of the immovable property (ies) / secured asset(s) described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him/them under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on the dates mentioned above.

The borrower(s) mentioned hereinabove in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the aforesaid Immovable Property(ies) / Secured Asset(s) and any dealings with the said Immovable Property (ies) / Secured Asset(s) will be subject to the mortgage of HDFC.

Borrower(s) attention is/are invited to the provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset/s.

Copies of the Panchanama drawn and Inventory made are available with the undersigned, and the said Borrower requested to collect the respective copy from the undersigned on any working day during normal office hours.

Date : 01.02.2026
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/-Authorised Officer
HDFC Bank Ltd. under SARFAESI Act, 2002

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punjab national bank

Asset Recovery Management Branch (ARMB): No.26-27, Raheja Towers, East Wing, 1st Floor, M.G. Road, Bangalore-560001. Tel No. 080-25095087. e-mail : cs8191@pnb.bank.in

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act(SARFAESI), 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules,

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property(ies) mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical/ symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of the Bank/ Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on the date as mentioned in the table herein below, for recovery of its dues due to the Bank/ Secured Creditor from the respective borrower (s) and guarantor (s). The reserve price and the earnest money deposit is mentioned in the table below against the respective properties.

The auction will be held on 18.02.2026 from 11.00 AM to 05.00 PM

Sl. No.	Branch Name, Customer ID A/c Name, A/c No., Dealing official Contact No.	Description of the Immovable Properties Mortgaged/ Owner's Name(mortgagers of property(ies))	(A) Date of 13 (2) (B) Date of 13(4) (C) Type of Possession (D) Outstanding amount	A)Reserve Price B) EMD C) Bid Increase Amount
1	BO: EGL BUSINESS PARK, DOMLUR (754700) Vishnu Charan Reddy A/C - 754700NC00000943 Mob No. : 9632588100	Residential property bearing flat No.401 in the fourth floor " NEHA ELITE "Apartment site No.246, Sy. No. 37/5, Junnasandra village, Varthur hobli, Bangalore south Taluk measuring 1375 sq.ft. and undivided Area of land 305 sq.ft. bounded by **North by:** Site No.245, **south:** site No.247, **East:** 30 ft. Road and **West by :** Site No. 291.	A) 23.07.2018 B) 07.02.2019 C) Physical D) Rs. 1,11,19,076.39 as on 31.12.2025 Plus further interest and other charges	A) Rs. 32,67,000/- B) Rs. 3,26,700/- C) Rs. 50,000/-
2	BO: EGL BUSINESS PARK, DOMLUR (754700) JAGADEESHCHARI P G Cust ID: LEJ009497 A/C - 754700NC00001401 Mob No. : 9632588100	Residential property bearing flat No.G3, Ground floor "Neha Mahal" measuring 1050 sq ft of super built up area together with 270 sq ft of undivided share and interest in property bearing site no 16/18, 16/19 and 16/20 formed in Sy No 19/2 situated at 4th main road, Chinnayanapalya, Lakkasandra Extension Bangalore, now property comes under the administrative jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagarapalike in Ward no 62.	A) 07.10.2017 B) 28.03.2018 C) Physical D) Rs. 1,28,17,928.78 as on 31.12.2025 plus further interest and other charges	A) Rs. 28,05,000/- B) Rs. 2,80,500/- C) Rs. 50,000/-
3	BO: Frazer Town (120200) M/s. Kruthika Texport Pvt.Ltd. Cust ID: C01198267 A/C - 1202008700001779 120200EG00000120 120200IL00000169 Mob No. : 9434080715 / 9388889447	**SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY** : All that piece and parcel of the property bearing New Sy.No.223, (old Sy.No. 173) of the converted land to an total extent of 2 acres, vide Conversion Order No. ALN (A)(A) SR/107/2010-11 dated 17.03.2010, situated at Indlabele Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District and bounded on the: **East by :** Sarjapura Main Road; **West by :** Sy.No.173, **North by :** Sy.Nos. 180 & 181, **South by** : Sai Layout. **SCHEDULE "B" PROPERTY:** 507 Sq.ft of undivided share, right, title and interest in the Schedule "A" Property. **SCHEDULE "C" PROPERTY :** A Three Bedrooms Apartment (Semi finished) Bearing No A-313, of A Block, now bearing Bidaraguppe Grampanchayath e-Katha No. 150200100200320746, Flat No.248/A-313 on the Third Floor of the Building known as "SIGMA SERENITY" constructed in the Schedule 'A' Property, having a super built-up area of 1375 square Feet (which is inclusive of the floors, ceiling and walls between the apartments and proportionate share in common areas and a share in the club house area together with one covered car parking space in the basement and bounded on **East by :** A-311, **West by** : A-315, **North by :** A-314 & **South by :** OPEN SPACE. **In favour of Mrs.Savita.**	A) 08.02.2024 B) 22.04.2024 C) Physical D) Rs. 2,25,49,699.59 as on 31.12.2025 plus further interest and other charges from 01.01.2026	A) Rs. 26,16,300/- B) Rs. 2,61,630/- C) Rs. 50,000/-
4	BO: Fraser Town (120200) SIRAJ ISMAIL, Cust ID- BUF004770 A/C - 120200NC00010258 Mob No. :9434080715 / 9388889447	Residential Flat No 3004, 3rd Floor ' Mayur Daffodills' Measuring Superbuilt Up Area Of 1205 Sq Ft With One Car Parking Space And Uds 482 Sq Ft In Sy No 119/3 , S Medahalli Village, Sarjapur Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore And Bounded On The East By: Land Of Yellappa S/O Kivudappa, West By: Land Bearing Sy No.119/2, North By: Road Reaching To Handenahalli Village And South By: Land Of Thyavakanahalli Balappa, Landmark : Near Indus International School .	A) 05.04.2019 B) 18.07.2019 C) Physical D) Rs. 85,44,315.54 as on 31.12.2025 plus further interest and other charges w.e.f 01.01.2026	A) Rs. 31,13,100/- B) Rs. 3,11,310/- C) Rs. 50,000/-
5	BO: RMV Extention (362500), Pro-way International, Cust_Id- FJK002303, A/C - 362500IC00000062, 362500JA00000049 & 362500JK00004559 Mob No. : 9632786274	All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Vacant Site No-26/5, Khata No- 68, Herohalli Village, Yeswanthpura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru- 560091, admeasuring an area of 600 Sq Ft and bounded on **East By:** Vacant Land, **West By:** Large Storm Water Drain, **North By:** 25 Ft Road & **South By:** Vacant Site.	A) 31-12-2012 B) 12-03-2013 C) Symbolic D) Rs. 87,67,663.52 plus further interest and charges as applicable w.e.f. 01-01-2026.	A) Rs. 20,41,000/- B) Rs. 2,04,100/- C) Rs. 50,000/-
6	BO: Banashankari, Bangalore (462300) Arumugam K Cust_Id- R03009668, A/C - 462300NC00000552 Mob No. : 9632786274	All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Flat No- TF1, 3rd Floor, Arhant MSR Neepa Apartment, Puttenahalli Village, Site No- 34 & 41, BBMP Khata No- 217/ 213/ 21/ 34 & 214/ 210/ 21/ 41, New PID No- 187-W0157 & 187-W0157-5, Ward No- 187, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore- 560078, admeasuring an area of 1400 Sq. Ft. and bounded on **East By:** Entrance Corridor & Flat No- FF2, **West By:** Open to Sky, **North By:** Flat No- FF3 & **South By:** Open to Sky.	A) 01.06.2021 B) 29.09.2021 C) Physical D) Rs. 95,95,200.02/- plus further interest and charges as applicable w.e.f. 01-01-2026.	A) Rs. 40,09,000/- B) Rs. 4,00,900/- C) Rs. 50,000/-

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The sale shall be subject to the Terms & Conditions prescribed in the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 and tothe following further conditions:

1. The properties are being sold on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS"** and **"AS IS WHAT IS BASIS"** and **"WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS"**
2. The particulars of Secured Assets specified in the Schedule hereinabove have been stated to the best of the information of the Authorised Officer, but the Authorised Officer shall not be answerable for any error, misstatement or omission in this proclamation.
3. The Sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the Website **https://baanknet.com on 18.02.2026 @ 11.00 AM to 5 PM**
4. Platform **(https://baanknet.com)** for e-Auction will be provided by e Auction service provider **M/s PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd.** having its Registered office at **Unit 1, 3rd Floor, VIOS Commercial Tower, Near Wadala Truck Terminal, Wadala East. Mumbai-400037** (Helpdesk Number +91 8291220220, Email Id: support.baanknet@psballiance.com). The intending Bidders/ Purchasers are required to participate in the e-Auction process at e-Auction Service Provider's website https://baanknet.com This Service Provider will also provide online demonstration/ training on e-Auction on the portal.

STATUTORY 15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER RULE 8(6) OF THE SARFAESI RULES, 2002

Place : Bangalore
Date : 01.02.2026

Sd/- AUTHORISED OFFICER & CHIEF MANAGER
PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK (SECURED CREDITOR)

The success of a society is to be evaluated primarily by the freedoms that members of the society enjoy. Poverty is the deprivation of opportunity

Amartya Sen

BUDGETING FOR INDIA'S PUBLIC SECTOR GIANTS

OPINION

RAM SINGH

Director of the Delhi School of Economics and member of the Reserve Bank India's Monetary Policy Committee

IN a striking reversal of trend during the last decade, central public sector undertakings have emerged as an engine of profitability and growth for the exchequer. They have posted record-breaking earnings for common shareholders and generated substantial dividends and royalties for the government, while preserving their reputation as a source of stable and remunerative employment for millions of Indians.

At the same time, their potential in handholding state PSUs and skilling Indian youth remains untapped. Also, they are now up against serious challenges posed by new technologies like artificial intelligence, as well as the green transition necessitated by UN's Sustainable Development Goals and EU's carbon tax on exports. Budget 2026 can help harness the real potential of these recently-awakened giants and prepare them for the new challenges.

CPSU earnings have quadrupled over the last decade. In 2024-25, their total net profits exceeded ₹5 lakh crore. The combined net income of oil companies such as Indian Oil, ONGC, BPCL and HPCL stood at ₹1.03 lakh crore, even as a fall in oil prices dented the profits of upstream and downstream firms. As of December 31, 2025, petroleum accounted for 8.4 percent of India's gross exports.

Non-oil CPSUs also registered robust profitability in 2024-25, with a net income of ₹3.95 lakh crore. Meanwhile, PSU banks posted record profits of ₹1.78 lakh crore. SBI's profits alone crossed ₹79,000 crore. Exports of the defence CPSUs reached a record high of ₹23,622 crore in the year. Indeed, the efficiency gains are broad-based, spanning the banking, defence and infrastructure sectors.

The PSUs' stock market performance was equally remarkable. In 2024-25, they paid out ₹1.33 lakh crore in dividends. At the end of calendar 2025, PSU fuel stocks accounted for 10.44 percent of the Nifty50 sector weight. These are contemporaneous signals of their cash-generating profiles and investor appetite for them.

With a ₹82,995-crore dividend payout to the Centre last fiscal, CPSUs contributed to the robust fiscal health of the Union. Even undertakings that were once perceived as perennially underperforming behemoths have turned the page. What is even more impressive is that these enterprises have shifted the efficiency frontier while ensuring unprecedented accessibility of their products to the masses.

The Union Budget's continued push for capital expenditure has helped companies such as NTPC and Rail Vikas Nigam. A pivot toward renewables and the push for atmanirbharta in defence have boosted the order books of NTPC, HAL and Bharat Electronics. Through backward linkages, these measures have worked as a force multiplier for private companies and smaller enterprises.

The real boost has come from the shift in governance approach from rigid regulatory control to market-driven operations. Maharatna and Navratna firms now enjoy greater financial and operational autonomy, enabling swifter project execution and operational innovations.

The oil CPSUs have scaled up delivery in rural areas without compromising commercial viability. To improve efficiency by cutting slack, the gas and petroleum distribution systems are being used as a unified—rather than a parallel—national energy infrastructure for multiple services. As of January 1, compressed natural and bio gases were available at 7,763 retail outlets; EV charging was available at 28,711 outlets.

Indian Oil's Panipat refinery's initiative to generate sustainable aviation fuel from used cooking oil is an example of an undertaking repurposing its operations towards sustainability. The SBI's digital transformation is another case in point. The bank's YONO app, with over 74 million users, disbursed ₹3.2 lakh crore in loans in 2024-25. Its gross non-performing asset ratio fell to 1.82 percent, an impressive record even by international standards.

These pushes toward green and digital transition are financed by cash-generating core operations without external support. These organisations have scaled up infrastructure while delivering exceptional profitability, prompting the market to re-rate them. The PSUs controlled by the state governments need to take a leaf from the CPSUs.

But from now on, CPSUs will face several challenges. Aligning their operations with India's net-zero targets would not be easy, especially for the power, coal and oil companies, which face a difficult choice: go green or face carbon taxes on exports. Even the new free-trade agreements cannot help here.

Moreover, these economic giants need to brace for market volatility caused by geopolitical uncertainty and digital disruption. To sustain the momentum, they will have to focus on strategic investment in digital technology and clean energy along the lines of the National Critical Mineral Mission. These demand modernisation of the service delivery infrastructure on a larger scale, improving efficiency. That, in turn, requires leveraging private funds and expertise to scale up and drive innovation.

Even though CPSUs are on a firmer footing today than they have been in decades, their potential in skilling the youth is yet to be harnessed. Similarly, their financial resources and expertise can be leveraged for strategic investments overseas. Fiscal incentives for public-private partnerships and financial autonomy are going to be the key to the CPSUs' ability to deliver on these fronts. It is here that Budget 2026 can help.

(Views are personal)

Full article on newindianexpress.com

FOR CONSISTENCY AND CALCULATED RISKS

OPINION

NEELKANTH MISHRA

Chief Economist at Axis Bank and part-time member of PM's Economic Advisory Council

THE 2026-27 budget is being presented at a time of rare macroeconomic stability in India—strong growth with low inflation. This is a result of the government prioritising economic stability over short-term growth imperatives: a conservative and predictable fiscal policy and better expenditure quality.

As the immediate impact of a reduction in fiscal deficits is to slow the economy, it can be politically costly. India bringing the deficit ratio back to pre-pandemic levels is a rarity among major economies. The medium-term impact, the result of the government limiting its borrowing, is to bring down interest rates.By first laying out a medium-term fiscal path and then sticking to it, the government has brought the cost of capital down to low levels rarely seen in non-crisis times. This is a remarkable achievement, as a high cost of capital has been a competitive disadvantage for the Indian economy over the past few decades.

The hard miles on fiscal consolidation have been crossed, and the annual reduction in the fiscal deficit need not be meaningful going forward to meet the government's 50 percent debt-to-GDP ratio by 2031. From 0.5 percent of GDP in 2022-23, 0.8 percent each in 2023-24 and 2024-25 and 0.4 percent in 2025-26, the reduction in fiscal deficit need not be more than 0.2 percent in 2026-27. This means that the headwinds to economic growth from fiscal consolidation are now largely behind us. The Economic Survey prescribes a medium-term target of 6 percent for the government (Centre plus states), consistent with the government's debt-to-GDP target, and is not very far away from the 6.6 percent we expect next year.

The 16th Finance Commission report tabled with the budget will affect the Union's arithmetic, too, via transfers to states: the devolution ratio (share of centrally collected taxes given to states), grants and other transfers. Our 2026-27 budget assumptions assume a status quo.

In 2027-28, government spending on salaries and pensions would rise significantly once the Eighth Pay Commission recommendations are implemented. As the hikes are effective from January 1, 2026, arrears would need to be paid as well (possibly split between 2027-28 and 2028-29). This will make it harder to reduce debt-to-GDP by much in 2027-28 and possibly 2028-29 too, making 2026-27 the year for some heavy-lifting.

SOURAV ROY

The necessity of staying on the stated fiscal path limits flexibility in the budget arithmetic, especially as meaningful changes to direct and indirect taxes are either unwise (frequent changes to personal or corporate income tax rates has deleterious effects over the medium term) or impractical (GST changes can only be done by the GST Council). Put together, interest costs, salaries and pensions, defence expenditure, and hard-to-cut subsidies (food, fertiliser) form the bulk of annual spending for the Union government; so there is limited flexibility on the expenditure side as well. The government has also guided to keeping capital expenditure consistent with the growth in nominal GDP—within this, though, a revival in the pace of ordering of national highways can be an important catalyst for growth.

As nominal economic growth in 2026-27 is expected to be better than in 2025-26 (inflation hit record lows, but a rebound is expected), growth in taxes should improve too. The steady increase in income-tax-to-GDP (5 basis points or one-hundredth of a percent annually from 2001 to 2019, and 20 basis points a year from 2019 to 2025) was disrupted by the tax cuts announced last year and should continue in the future. Improving corporate profitability should mean better corporate tax growth. Lower and simpler GST rates should boost compliance. Non-tax receipts should also be healthy, given higher seigniorage income for the RBI, and better public sector profitability.

As the deficit ratio falls, government's 'crowding out' reduces further. The demand for government bonds from banks, pension and insurance funds as well as retail investors grows broadly in line with the economy. The government also has significant non-market borrowing (via small savings schemes), which is currently growing much faster than assumed in the last budget. If this were to persist, market borrowings next year can come in below what bond markets expect.

A challenge for the government and the RBI is that the benefits from politically difficult but necessary fiscal discipline are not adequately flowing through to the cost of capital in the economy: bond yields have risen in recent months despite rate cuts and continuing fiscal discipline. While there are many factors driving this anomaly, the government can help address a few of these. It must reduce the average maturity of bonds it issues and raise the share of treasury bills in its borrowing plan. The transition to just-in-time transfers to states, while well-intended, has caused disruptions in financial markets, and necessitates better management of the government's own cash balances.

While the budget arithmetic may afford limited flexibility, the second part of the budget speech can provide excitement. Given the need to sustain strong growth for the next few decades, a period of stability is also an opportunity to take some policy risks. It is unwise to drive a broken car fast on a bumpy road; but with a new car, one can take risks to get faster to the destination.

The Economic Survey believes reforms can lift India's potential growth to 7 percent from the earlier 6.5 percent despite the headwinds from global fragility, tariff uncertainty, AI-driven vulnerabilities and capital flow volatility. This is in line with our earlier estimates, but higher than the 6-6.5 percent assumption most forecasters worked with. The survey notes that State capacity is a binding constraint and prescribes a shift from a control-oriented regulatory state to a capability-driven enabling state.

An important area of reform needs to be urbanisation: the survey flags it as both an opportunity and a constraint, demanding governance, land use, digital and financing reforms to unlock productivity. Urban transformation is likely to define India's productivity trajectory and institutional reforms, like in governance, zoning and finance, are as important as physical infrastructure. As per the UN, India's effective urban population is already larger than China's—this shapes labour markets, infrastructure demand and housing needs. However, 'official' urbanisation is a fraction of that number and lags other middle-income countries.

(Views are personal)

ART OF WINNING FRIENDS & INFORMING PEOPLE

OPINION

QURBAN ALI

Senior journalist who worked for more than 14 years at BBC World Service

FOR a generation of Indians like me who grew up listening to his BBC dispatches from the subcontinent, Mark Tully's voice was synonymous with the gold standard of journalism—unbiased and speaking truth to power as a card-carrying member of the Fourth Estate. This Englishman went on to be known as the "voice of India" and decided to make the country his home for over half a century. At times, I envied him for his Indianness and wondered how he could love my motherland more than I did.

While people knew him as an ace broadcaster and a prolific writer, a few of us who worked with him witnessed his down-to-earth nature, humility and mastery of the art of making friends. I also had the honour of living close to him in the Nizamuddin area of Delhi for 20-odd years and catching an occasional glimpse of him and his beloved labradors in the hard-to-miss, bright-red two-seater he would drive around.

Two years ago, an essay of mine on Indira Gandhi's communal politics caught Mark's eye and prompted him to drop off a handwritten note at my place through his driver. The note read: "Needs discussion. I don't have your number. The computer is down. Why not ring to fix a time to meet?" I was thrilled to receive the invitation and promptly scheduled a meeting at his place. Our long, winding discussion covered Hindutva, secularism and the Nehruvian model of secularism—which Mark was not completely convinced by and opposed my endorsement of.

It is ironic that 50 years earlier, at the onset of the Emergency imposed by Indira Gandhi, I had first become acquainted with Mark's critical broadcasts against the government that had jailed my father under the Defence of India Rules and the Maintenance of Internal Security Act for 19 months. For my impressionable mind at the time, this perhaps sowed the seed of pursuing a career in journalism. A decade later, in the 1980s, Mark appointed me as a stringer for the BBC, where we covered many landmark events together—the 1989 general elections, the formation of V P Singh's National Front government, its fall, the formation of Chandra Shekhar's government in 1990, and the Babri Masjid-Ram Janmabhoomi agitation.

Mark personified fearlessness and quiet rebellion. He was a staunch proponent of standing up for what he believed was right, whether from outside the system or by effecting change from within. By 1993, he had been the BBC's South Asia bureau chief in Delhi for over two decades, yet he did not hesitate to boldly voice his displeasure at the institution's state of affairs. His scathing remarks about director-general John Birt—lambasting the "culture of fear" and the broadcaster's transformation into a "secretive monolith with demoralised staff"—led to his resignation in July 1994. His defiance showed that he placed journalistic ethics above all else and was not afraid of walking the talk—one of his many admirable qualities.

A man of extraordinary courage, unwavering integrity and unshakeable commitment to the values of journalism, he became a household name in the region, and an eyesore for many South Asian governments. During the Emergency, he was asked to leave India and returned only once it was lifted in 1977. Again, as Operation Blue Star unfolded in Amritsar in 1984, Mark was asked to leave the city. But in typical Mark Tully fashion, he ensured that the coverage remained accurate and unbiased, adhering to the highest standards. Satish Jacob was on the ground while Mark coordinated from New Delhi.

William Mark Tully (1935-2026) adhered to the highest principles of journalism. This also meant rebelling against his BBC bosses. Though he was seen as an eyesore by many South Asian governments, he was conferred two Padma awards

In an interview for BBC Hindi, I jokingly asked him how he had managed to "secure not one but two Padma awards from the Indian government while continuing to criticise its policies". An agitated Mark responded: "I didn't manage it—I was offered, and I took permission from my organisation the first time in 1992 (for the Padma Shri), while in 2005 I was an independent person (when he was conferred the Padma Bhushan). The same thing happened when I got the OBE and MBE from the British government."

The one reportage from Mark's career that stands out for me has to be on the demolition of the Babri Masjid in 1992, delivered from ground zero at great personal risk. The event became a turning point in the unravelling of India's social fabric, and I was part of Mark's entourage, moving between Ayodhya and Faizabad, racing against the clock to send the dispatch to the BBC's London headquarters. We were apprehended by a mob of angry kar sevaks who recognised Mark and decided to lock five of us in a nearby temple to avoid disrupting the demolition, planning to "deal" with us later. We were, of course, rescued hours later and lived to tell the eyewitness account.

One of Mark's last correspondences with me was another note that read: "I hope your view won't change when you read the draft of my book (autobiography), which I hope will be quite soon." Alas, I will eagerly wait to see that draft land in my mailbox some day, whenever it is published, and hope another impressionable mind will read it and build upon Mark Tully's path of fearless journalism.

May you rest in peace, Mark.

(Views are personal)

QUOTE CORNER

If we consider everything, there's only one piece of advice for fans: stay away from the USA! You'll see it better on TV anyway. Upon arrival, fans should expect that if they don't please the officials, they'll be put straight on the next flight home. If they're lucky.

Mark Pieth, Swiss attorney who chaired FIFA's independent governance committee, on the football World Cup starting on June 11

It's a sad reality of Indian society that many victims of domestic violence, in spite of facing grave threat to their life, continue matrimonial relationships due to the orthodox atmosphere, as they face social stigma if they separate.

Justice Madhav Jamdar of the Bombay High Court, denying pre-arrest bail to sugar baron Anil Lokhande, an ally of Deputy Chief Minister Eknath Shinde

The emotions of our children and teenagers are not for sale or to be manipulated, either by American platforms or Chinese algorithms.

Emmanuel Macron, French president, as the country's lower legislative chamber passed a Bill to ban social media use by under-15s

MAILBAG WRITE TO letters@newindianexpress.com

Present imperfect

Ref: *Naive protectionism under UPA cost India billions* (Jan 31). It is typical of this BJP government to blame previous Congress governments for everything. Why did the minister's government not address this issue in the last 11+ years? It took up this issue with the European Union because of Donald Trump's tariff pressure.

M S Sharada Prasad, Bengaluru

Political divide

Ref: *An unfounded backlash to UGC rules* (Jan 31). When the SC/ST quota was first implemented, it was thought that in 10 years the problem would be addressed. However, political contingency aggravated the problem when the OBC category was introduced. The intelligentsia called it a historical correction of upper-caste hegemony, ignoring the status of the poor from upper classes. Harmony can be achieved if politicians cease their divisive tactics on the basis of caste, class and religion.

Jitendranath Guru, Padampur

Level ground

Ref: *Campus equity rules* (Jan 31). Laws should be for universal applicability and not based on preconceived assumptions. Atrocities can take place against any caste, and hence, legislation should be inclusive. Discrimination should be dealt with as a whole subject. Our ecosystem should be sensitised to implement the law in letter and spirit.

Rajarao Kumar, Bengaluru

Humane investigations

Ref: *Confident Group head shoots himself* (Jan 31). The tragic death C J Roy has shaken not just the business community but society at large. The circumstances surrounding his death, amid investigations and intense questioning, demand serious reflection rather than sensational speculation. The incident highlights the urgent need for humane handling of investigations, mental health awareness and institutional mechanisms that allow individuals under scrutiny to cope with stress.

Vishal Mayur, Hyderabad

Pragmatic haste

Ref: *Sunetra set to be sworn in Deputy CM* (Jan 31). Although political expediency may have driven the decision, the swearing in of the wife in the seat vacated by the husband's unfortunate death in a plane crash, even before the embers of his pyre cooled down, belies familial and social niceties. Perhaps there is nothing unusual in the opportunistic world of politics.

A Raveendranath, Pathanamthitta

Budget hopes

Ref: *Economic Survey highlights growth challenges* (Jan 30). The 2026 Budget will be Nirmala Sitharaman's ninth consecutive presentation. Expectations are building up around income tax relief, growth-focused spending and measures to strengthen economic momentum in 2026-27. Salaried taxpayers and middle-class households are expecting relief and clarity on the new Income Tax Act. It must be a win-win for the government and salaried Indians.

Chitra A Rugmini, Navi Mumbai

Ground reality

Ref: *AIADMK rolls out counter-campaign* (Jan 29). AIADMK's Edappadi Palaniswamy has asserted that the NDA will win 210 seats in the coming assembly elections in Tamil Nadu. The DMK chief too is confident of winning 200+ seats. Probably both the Dravidian parties have not taken cognisance of Vijay's TVK, which is gaining ground day after day.

N Mahadevan, Chennai

Energy planning

Ref: *India targets $100 bn investment in energy* (TNIE Video, Jan 27). As an energy professional, I am disappointed that the India Energy Week in Goa ended with no significant initiative. I sincerely believe India can reduce energy imports by half with judicious and regulated use, integrating generation with user industries. I would like to see the next Energy Week focused on specific project proposals.

Krishnaswamy N Ponnani, Palakkad

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Pawan Khera @Pawankhera
This inexcusable association between Epstein and Narendra Modi is a matter of national dignity and international reputation

Akhilesh Yadav @yadavakhilesh
Fake encounters corrupt the administration.Giving punishment by anyone other than the court is, in itself, a crime.

Amit Shah @AmitShah
To those thinking of severing the 'Chicken's Neck', I want to say: This is not your father's land, but India's soil. No one can even touch it.

Party to hold public interactions across the country • Congress questions GDP series timing

BJP plans to take Budget message among masses

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

THE BJP has decided to launch a nationwide campaign to publicise the salient features of the Union Budget 2026-27 on Sunday, after Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman presents it in Parliament, sources said on Saturday.

BJP national president Nitin Nabin has reportedly instructed all party leaders to promote the Budget through public interactions and media briefings across the country from February 1 to 15. Notably, Sitharaman is set to become the first woman Finance Minister to present the Budget for the ninth consecutive time.

The party is preparing to take its highlights to the masses, with special emphasis on poll-bound states including West Bengal, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, and Uttar Pradesh. The BJP aims to organise more than 150 major media briefings in each state by senior party leaders, including chief ministers of BJP-ruled states, Union ministers from respective states, and other senior office-bearers. Efforts will also be made to reach out to the public through multiple platforms.

Senior leaders, Union ministers and chief ministers are expected to author articles in leading national and regional language newspapers and get them published widely. In addition, the Budget will be extensively highlighted on micro-blogging platforms including X and others.

The party is also learnt to have engaged prominent social media influencers with high viewership and strong brand recognition. "Sketches, pointers, data, quotes of PM Modi, and others highlighting Budget, comparative figures on budgetary allocations on infrastructure development in all sectors, social welfare, and other sectors will get massive highlight in all languages across the country", a senior BJP leader said.

Nabin, who conceptualised the Budget campaign, has also constituted a committee headed by national general secretary, Tarun Chugh.

News articles

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Govt can't hide behind the legacy jibes now: Kharge

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

WITH Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman scheduled to present the Union Budget on Sunday, the Congress has raised concerns about the state of the Indian economy, questioning whether the government will put forward concrete measures to address its challenges.

In a post on X, Mallikarjun Kharge said on Saturday that the Modi government can no longer hide behind the "legacy" excuse, as it has been in power for the last 12 years.

"In this Union Budget, the Modi Government cannot hide behind the excuse of 'legacy'. Their own legacy has pushed the economy into an unprecedented mess. Will this Budget offer real solutions to the multiple economic indicators that are now in free fall?" he asked.

The Congress chief also posted a video along with his post, which said the Economic Survey is out and that government data shows manufacturing growth crashed from 7.4% under the UPA to just 3.54% under the NDA rule. The video claimed that the government's 'Make in India' campaign has "failed" as manufacturing is "stuck" at 13%.

It also claimed that only one in two graduates is even employable, and India's share in global trade is the lowest in 80 years. The video further claimed that household savings are down from 7.4% to 5.3%.

The video also claimed that the rupee has hit an all-time low at 92 against the US dollar and foreign investment is "fleeing". The FDI has shown a negative growth in four straight months, it added.

In another post, Congress general secretary Jairam Ramesh questioned whether the Budget numbers would undergo revisions very soon after they are unveiled, as the new GDP and Consumer Price Index (CPI) series are to be released just days after the Budget, and said it reflects poorly on coordination in policy making.

Manufacturing growth dip

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ARIJIT SINGH

ACCHA CHALTA HOON... NO MORE PLAYBACK

BH HARSH

THIS is not the first time that a popular artiste has retired before time. The best of them have often quietly receded into the background, leaving behind a legacy that shows up only in viral reels now. But Arijit Singh's announcement came as a true shocker. While posting an update that would send fans into endless grief, the singer neither offered a detailed explanation nor penned a long note. He casually shared the news along with his new year greetings, almost as an afterthought. In a way, the message aptly captured what made Arijit an impactful presence in contemporary music. He did it like nobody else could. While Arijit has clarified that he will be active as a musician, his fans see this as a farewell, as a void that would be hard to fill — and for a good reason.

Before he made it big in the film music scene, Arijit was already a familiar name for the 90s kids who grew up seeing him as a volcanic talent on the TV show Fame Gurukul (2006), as someone who clearly stood out, yet got voted out due to skewed up voting system. Years later, even though he received plenty of acclaim for his songs in Barfi (2012), it was 'Sun Raha Hai Na,' his chartbuster from the breakout hit Aashiqui 2 (2013) that made Arijit an overnight sensation and a nation-wide sweetheart. 2013 was a time when Hindi film music was at its experimental peak, with plenty of new sensibilities on the block. And yet, there was no voice that captured the imagination of a generation.

Much like Sonu Nigam, Arijit was never confined to a specific genre or style. He moulded his voice to suit every composer, every mood. Versatility was his stronghold. In the same month as Aashiqui, an album known for its melancholic ballads, Arijit sang 'Dilli Waali Girlfriend (Ye Jawani Hai Diwani),' an upbeat dance anthem where his voice is almost unrecognisable with its impish energy.

Also, at a time when popular music was heavily relying on autotune and technical wizardry, Arijit embodied an old-school finesse, honed by classical training, and command on language. It wasn't a surprise to anyone that he seamlessly fit in all kinds of compositions, be it Sanjay Leela Bhansali's symphonic soundscapes, Pritam's angsty rock ballads or footloose dance numbers like 'Ghunghroo' and 'What Jhumka.' If all music labels and leading composers chased Arijit, it was because the man could do anything. From 2014 to 2025, it would be hard to think of a great film album that didn't have an Arijit number.

NEWSMAKER

MANDAR PARDIKAR

Despite his overwhelming range, Arijit also became the poster boy of heartbreak songs. And like most things 21st century, the memeification of Arijit as a 'sad song expert' helped him create an insurmountable brand, while also quietly leading to the much-discussed 'Arijit overdose,' a notion that didn't necessarily have merit. It cannot be the question of volume — Arijit sang an average of 35-40 of the 600 film songs produced every year, barely 6% of the total output. The perception possibly built up because Bollywood music fanbase was becoming increasingly niche. Only songs with massive marketing plans were getting wider reach. By sheer design of the machinery, Arijit became the man with the most number of songs for over a decade.

If one observes his career arc, the much-loved singer visibly handled his success easily, but not lightly — and it is this very ability that allowed Arijit to be a quiet outlier. In 2024, in the wake of the RG Kar movement, he released a protest song 'Aar Kobe,' a rare move for an artiste of his stature. At the peak of his career, Arijit turned to composition with the Sanya Malhotra-starrer Pagglait (2021). When he got into a public spat with Salman Khan, after a jokey banter at an awards function went awry, the singer had no qualms in addressing it publicly in his social media posts, seeking a resolution. There are speculations about Arijit's issues with music labels over copyright and royalty too. And the political colour given to his 2023 concert in Kolkata. These stories stood at odds with Arijit's popular image, creating a fascinating collage of a crowd-favourite who refused to crowd-please. Arijit was always sincere, but never too attached to his glory — the signs were always there.

Now, the question is, who would be next. Many names might be thrown into the ring, but will there be another phenomenon like Arijit? Considering how the significance of songs in Hindi film narrative has reduced, as songs aren't always integral to the story, Arijit could be seen as one of the last of the practitioners of a dying art form. And while the critique of 'too many Arijit songs' has only grown over the past few years, one would be hard-pressed to think of another playback singer in recent years with such strong imprint on Hindi film music. So when fans mourn the exit of Arijit from playback singing, they are mourning the bona fide end of an era.

It's a new beginning for the virtuoso — and we want Arijit to continue being true to himself. After all, that's what made Arijit who he is — successful, sincere, and secure in himself.

Will continue to back Palestine: Modi

JAYANTH JACOB @ New Delhi

Prime Minister Narendra Modi received foreign ministers of Arab countries and heads of Arab delegations on Saturday | x

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday reiterated India's continued support for the people of Palestine and welcomed ongoing peace efforts, including the Gaza peace plan, during his meeting with a delegation of Arab foreign ministers in New Delhi.

Modi received the foreign ministers of Arab countries, the Secretary General of the League of Arab States and heads of Arab delegations who are in India for the second India–Arab Foreign Ministers' meeting and conveyed his appreciation for the important role played by the Arab League in supporting efforts towards regional peace and stability.

The Prime Minister underlined the "deep and historic people-to-people ties" between India and the Arab world, and said these connections have continued to inspire and strengthen relations over the years. He also outlined his vision for the India–Arab partnership in the years ahead, reaffirming India's commitment to further deepen cooperation in trade and investment, energy, technology, healthcare and other priority areas "for the mutual benefit of our peoples," the release said.

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Addressing the India–Arab foreign ministers' meeting, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar said the Middle East and West Asia had witnessed multiple developments of "considerable consequence" in recent years, many of which have had an impact beyond the region. He said the situation in Gaza has been a major focus for the international community.

"Many of us were present at the Sharm-el-Sheikh Peace Summit in October 2025. This evolved into the UN Security Council Resolution 2803 of November 2025. Taking forward the comprehensive plan to end the Gaza conflict is today a widely shared priority," Jaishankar said, and added that many countries have made policy declarations on the peace plan, both individually and collectively.

Jaishankar also flagged other conflicts and flashpoints in the region that require collective attention. "One is the conflict in Sudan that is exacting a deadly toll on its society. Another is that in Yemen, with the additional implication for the safety of maritime navigation," he said. He also pointed to concerns in Lebanon, where India has troops deployed under the UN Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL), as well as the need to advance the national dialogue process in Libya and closely watch developments in Syria.

EXPRESS READ

ICG to observe Raising Day today

The Indian Coast Guard (ICG), established on February 1, 1977 with just seven surface platforms, has evolved into a "formidable maritime force" comprising 155 ships and 80 aircraft, officials said on Saturday. The ICG will observe its 50th Raising Day with an event here on Sunday, marking five decades of dedicated, selfless service to the nation, they said. Raised on February 1, 1977, the ICG was envisioned to address emerging maritime challenges and safeguard India's marine interests.

Prez shares Ravidas Jayanti greetings

President Droupadi Murmu on Saturday shared greetings on the eve of the birth anniversary of Guru Ravidas and urged citizens to integrate his teachings into their lives and actively contribute to nation-building. Guru Ravidas was a revered saint and social reformer who conveyed the message of equality, social justice and love through his teachings, Murmu said. "The thoughts of Guru Ravidas Ji will always remain relevant and will continue to guide us toward embracing human values," she said.

Don't take names of ministers & MPs for transfers, postings: ASI to officials

PARVEZ SULTAN @ New Delhi

THE Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) has issued a stern warning to its officers and staff against seeking transfers or relocation through political or other external influence stating that such practices violate service conduct rules and could invite disciplinary action.

According to the sources, the Survey has been receiving a large number of transfer requests routed through ministers, Members of Parliament (MPs) and other authorities seeking "favourable consideration" for postings within or outside ASI's Circles—field offices in states or union territories—and other divisions. The requests cut across all cadres. This has prompted the agency to raise red flag against the practice as a serious breach of established norms.

In an internal communication note seen by this newspaper, circulated among all regional directors and incharge of Circles, the ASI highlighted that seeking transfer using political influence violates Rule 20 of the Central Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

The said Rule titled—Canvassing of non-official or other outside influence—prohibits government servants from bringing any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further their interest regarding service matters. The rule is aimed at ensuring fairness, transparency and institutional integrity in personnel decisions, including postings and transfers.

"The Competent Authority has taken a serious view in the matter. It is informed that all such acts are liable for appropriate action including disciplinary action against such officers/officials, as per extant rules. All officials of ASI are therefore advised to ensure that they do not violate Rule 20 of the CCS (Conduct Rules) cited above," read the note.

For boost its available strength and to establish harmony in functioning of departments, the ASI has a rotational transfer policy (RTP) in place.

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Over 13L visitors in Parliament in 10 years: Data

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

THE new and old parliament buildings of India have emerged as some of the most preferred destinations for visitors of all ages. Over 13 lakh people visited the buildings in the last 10 years. "The new and old parliament buildings reflect the grandeur of India's parliamentary and democratic history, architectural finesses and cultural richness," said an official.

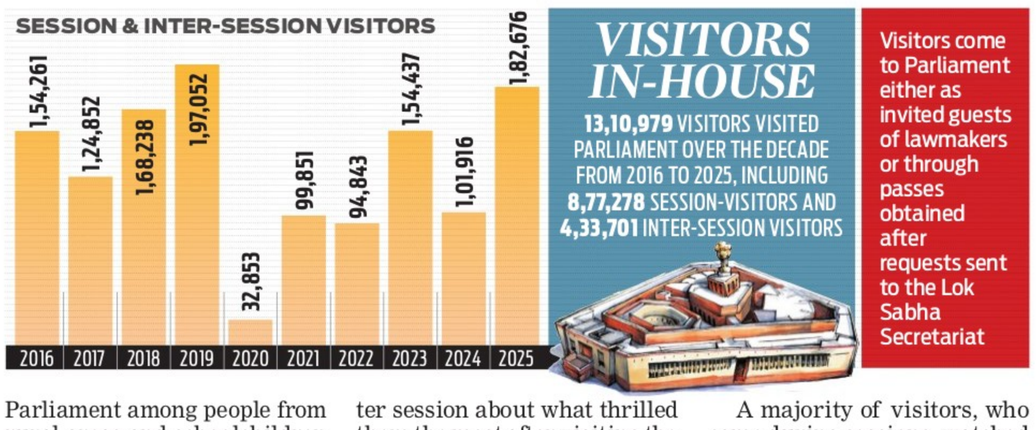
According to official data obtained by this newspaper, 13,10,979 passes, including 8,77,278 session-visitor passes, were issued for visitors to Parliament between 2016 and 2025. The data shows that Parliament received the highest number of 1,97,052 visitors in 2019, a year before the Covid outbreak. The number of visitors dropped sharply in 2020, when 32,852 session and inter-session visitors were issued passes.

On the sidelines of the 86th All India Presiding Officers Conference in Lucknow, Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla had told the media that the craze for visiting Parliament among people from rural areas and schoolchildren has increased significantly.

After the construction of the new Parliament building, it has become the most visited structure, followed by the old building, now named Samvidhan-Sadan. "Taking rounds of selfies with old magnificent parliament building is the most common desire of visitors after they come out from the new building during and after the session," said an official who remains on duty throughout the year.

When asked during the winter session about what thrilled them the most after visiting the parliament buildings, several women visitors and schoolchildren echoed similar sentiments. "Wonderful designs, interiors and our culture and history of parliamentary system made us feel elated and more privileged. Apart from all this, what made us feel more attached with our country's wonderful new and old parliament buildings was support of security personnel and others who guided us where to see what and how," said a woman visitor.

A majority of visitors, who came during sessions, watched the parliamentary proceedings, while those visiting during inter-session periods toured the new parliament building as well as the old structure. Visitors come to parliament either as invited guests of lawmakers of both Houses or through passes obtained after requests sent to the Lok Sabha Secretariat through PRIDE (Parliamentary Research and Training Institute for Democracies) for group visits during both session and non-session times.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REMANDED

A man accused of spying for the Pakistani intelligence agency ISI, identified as Jhabararam (28), was remanded to police custody for four days by a Jaipur court on Saturday.

1 MAN HELD OVER ₹1.27-CRORE FRAUD IN MAHARASHTRA

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	29	19	Mumbai	29	24
Bhopal	26	16	Panaji	33	22
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Amritsar	17	09	Lucknow	23	12
Chennai	28	24	Port Blair	29	26
Kolkata	27	17	Imphal	24	11
Srinagar	06	-1	Chandigarh	21	11

Pawar Sr 'passe', Sunetra eyes her own Maha mark

Veteran leader wants NCP merger as tribute to nephew, she disagrees

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

AJIT Pawar grew up under the tutelage of his uncle Sharad Pawar, but made his own identity and created a political space for him. But his wife, Sunetra Pawar, who was sworn in as deputy chief minister after Ajit's death in air crash, decided to come out from the shadow of the Pawar Senior and chart a different path.

Maharashtra politics for the last 40 years unfolded around the 85-year-old Sharad Pawar. After its rise since 2014, the BJP has a plan to reduce the importance of Sharad Pawar in state and Centre's politics and make the Pawar brand redundant. Sunetra, rather than consulting her family supremo and political veteran to realise her ambitions, felt comfortable with the people. She thought that consulting Pawar Senior means spoiling her and her sons' political career. This is a blow to Sharad Pawar. He accepted in a press conference that he had no idea of Sunetra taking oath as a deputy CM.

After taking oath, Sunetra said on Saturday that she has taken on public responsibility with a strong sense of duty, committed to carrying forward the people-centric legacy of her husband for the welfare of Maharashtra. Recalling Ajit's work for farmers, labourers, women, youth and marginalised sections, she said she would continue to draw inspiration from his thoughts while remaining anchored to the ideals of Shivaji Maharaj, Shahu Maharaj, Mahatma Phule and Dr BR Ambedkar. Sunetra, a commerce graduate, has a big task before her: to protect the NCP from fragmentation and use the government's financial power to protect her party's strongholds from the BJP, though both are in alliance.

Born into a political family, Sunetra understands politics, but it is interesting to see whether her politics will really work against the BJP. She also needs to develop a pan-Maharashtra stature to get votes for her party. Her first challenge would be Baramati where the Senior Pawar family members will not lose their control easily.

Sharad Pawar is keen on merger of both the NCP factions as a tribute to his nephew Ajit, but Sunetra and her sons have different views. They want to remain a part of the Pawar family but travel a different political road.

Ajit's widow needs to build pan-state stature

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Performance appraisal for Dhami ministers ahead of polls

NARENDRA SETHI @ Dehradun

IN a strategic shift aimed at curbing anti-incumbency, the BJP central leadership has delivered a message to its Uttarakhand cabinet: perform in your constituency or face the axe.

The party has officially banned "seat-hopping," making it clear that no minister will be allowed to migrate to a "safer" seat in the upcoming state polls. The decision comes as the saffron party begins its groundwork to secure a historic third consecutive term in the Himalayan state. By forcing the ministers to stick to their current bases, the leadership intends to hold them accountable for the development—or lack thereof—in their respective regions.

Speaking to this newspaper, BJP state spokesperson and MLA Vinod Chamoli highlighted the risks of ministers abandoning their constituencies.

"We have seen instances where an MLA wins, becomes a minister, and then seeks a different seat in the next election to avoid local friction. The organisation is fully aware of this. When a minister leaves their seat, it sends a demoralising message to the voters. It makes the battle uphill for the new candidate and triggers resentment among local workers in the new constituency who have been preparing for years. The party views this as a double loss," Chamoli said.

Ahead of PM's Punjab visit, bomb threats in schools trigger uproar

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

On the 649th birth anniversary of Sant Guru Ravidas Ji, the renaming of Adampur Airport honours the saint and social reformer

PM's office

State BJP's resolution

A resolution passed by the BJP's state core committee said the PM's visit will strengthen communal harmony in Punjab. BJP state chief Sunil Jakhar said the PM understands the sentiments of the Punjab people

A day ahead of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's scheduled visit to the headquarters of the Dera Sachkhand Ballan on the occasion of the 649th birth anniversary of Sant Guru Ravidas, four schools in Jalandhar on Saturday received emails threatening bomb blasts, prompting heightened security and a swift search operation by police and security agencies. However, no suspicious object was found, officials said.

The schools were closed on account of a holiday related to Ravidas Jayanti, officials said, adding that Dera premises are already under tight security due to Modi's visit. Jalandhar commissioner of police Dhanpreet Kaur Randhawa said, "Anti-sabotage teams searched the schools and the areas surrounding the schools. No suspicious object or activity was detected during the search operations."

Sources said the emails, sent by a person who identified himself as "Billy Hall", also made references to his proposed visit to Dera Sachkhand Ballan. The emails reportedly linked the threats to the PM's stance against Khalistani activities, specifically citing the killing of Sikh separatist leader Hardeep Singh Nijjar in Surrey, Canada, on June 18, 2023.

One of the emails stated, "Full respect for Guru Ravidas ji, but Modi is the enemy. We have no issues with Sant Niranjan Dass, but with Modi." Sant Niranjan Dass is the head of Dera Sachkhand. The PM's visit to Jalandhar comes days after Sant Niranjan Dass was chosen for Padma Shri. During his visit to Punjab, the PM will also rename the Adampur airport as 'Sri Guru Ravidas Ji Airport' and also inaugurate the terminal building of the Halwara airport in Ludhiana. A PMO statement said, "On the occasion of the 649th birth anniversary of Sant Guru Ravidas Ji, the renaming of Adampur Airport honours the revered saint and social reformer whose teachings of equality, compassion, and human dignity continue to inspire India's social ethos."

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Rehabilitated 99 Bengali Hindu families: State

The Yogi Adityanath government has formally rehabilitated 99 Bengali Hindu families who had migrated to UP from Bangladesh. Early this week, the state cabinet approved a proposal legalising the stay of these families living illegally at Nagla Gosain village in Mawana tehsil of Meerut district. These families would be rehabilitated in Rasoolabad tehsil of Kanpur Dehat. There were 107 such families and eight of them had shifted elsewhere to earn their living. Each of these families would get half an acre land on a premium or lease rent for 30 years. The lease may be extended twice up to a maximum of 90 years.

Soon, Lucknow to have seven gateways

While Lucknow is identified with its Rumi Gate, the Yogi government has decided to give it a new identity through seven gateways to be erected at all seven entry points to the city. CM Yogi Adityanath has directed the development of these grand ceremonial gateways with the objective of giving the city an attractive, majestic and distinctive cultural identity," a government spokesperson said. These gateways would be constructed on the major routes connecting Lucknow to Prayagraj, Varanasi, Ayodhya, Naimisharanya, Hastinapur, Mathura and Jhansi. The CM also instructed the officials to give symbolic names and designs of the gateways.

Raja Bhaiya's estranged wife, daughters 'missing'

Among controversies involving the SIR is one coming from the royal family of Kunda in Pratapgarh. Here, the estranged 'queen' Bhanvi Singh, the wife of MLA Raguraj Pratap Singh aka Raja Bhaiya, has complained that her name, along with that of her two daughters, has gone missing from the draft list after the SIR. She has written to the ECI and the CM. She has alleged that the decision was taken under pressure from her husband and reflects clear bias. She also shared voter lists of 2003 and 2025 on social media, showing the names of all three. Raja Bhaiya and Bhanvi are involved in a razing legal battle with the former filing for divorce in 2022.

Newspaper reading made mandatory for students in 800 skill centres in UP

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

AFTER education department, the Uttar Pradesh Skill Development Mission (UPSDM) has now made newspaper reading compulsory for trainees pursuing short-term skill programmes across the state.

The move is expected benefit over a lakh students currently undergoing training in almost 800 skill centres. As per the directives issued by UPSDM director, Pulkit Khare, daily reading of newspapers will be included in the timetable.

"Regular reading of newspapers will help enhance general knowledge among trainees, besides helping them prepare better for competitive exams. It will develop the trainees' analytical skills, which will foster logical thinking," Khare said.

According to Kapil Dev Agarwal, Minister for vocational education, skill development and entrepreneurship, youths should not only be technically proficient but also possess an understanding of social, economic, and global scenarios. "The objective behind regular reading of newspapers is to enhance the employability of trainees, as well as to develop their self-confidence, communication skills, and analytical thinking," said Agarwal.

The new directives have the provision of classes in all batches operating under Schemes, including the State Skill development Fund, Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana, and Project Praveen will begin with newspaper reading. UPSDM officials said studying editorials and articles would improve language style, vocabulary, and expression of ideas for the trainees.

A DAILY FIX

1. Move to benefit over a lakh students currently undergoing training
2. Regular reading of newspapers will be included in the timetable

Ailing Wangchuk taken to AIIMS, released later

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

ACTIVIST Sonam Wangchuk was taken to AIIMS-Jodhpur for a medical examination following directions from the Supreme Court after his health deteriorated while in judicial custody.

Police shifted Wangchuk from the Jodhpur Central Jail to the emergency ward of AIIMS early Saturday morning. He remained under observation for nearly an hour and a half. He was later examined by a gastroenterologist. According to hospital sources, Wangchuk is suffering from stomach-related ailments and has also complained of pain in several parts of his body. He was taken to AIIMS for medical tests a day earlier as well.

After the examination, Wangchuk was escorted back to the Jodhpur Central Jail under tight security.

This comes after his wife moved the apex court through senior advocate Kapil Sibal over a steady deterioration in his health condition. During the hearing on Thursday, a bench comprising Justices Aravind Kumar and PB Varale had directed the jail administration to have Wangchuk examined by a specialist doctor from a government hospital.

₹10 cr drug seizure in Gujarat leads to K'taka connection

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA @ Ahmedabad

A routine vehicle stop in Gujarat's Surat cracked open a sprawling interstate drug empire, leading the Narcotics Control Bureau to a hidden synthetic drug factory in Karnataka, the arrest of four traffickers, and the seizure of narcotics and ₹10 crore of cash.

The discreet intelligence input ended as one of the NCB's biggest recent strikes in Gujarat. Acting on a tip-off, NCB teams, with crucial support from Surat Police, intercepted a Karnataka-registered car at Palsana in Surat district on January 28. The stop was brief, but the discovery was explosive. Hidden inside the SUV lay nearly 35 kg of mephedrone (MD), a synthetic drug increasingly ravaging urban markets.

An NCB source said that "the NCB has busted a major interstate drug trafficking syndicate and detected a clandestine drug manufacturing laboratory in Mysore. Drugs with an estimated street value of approximately ₹10 crore, along with ₹25.6 lakh in cash, one Toyota Fortuner vehicle, and over 500 kilograms of various chemicals, have been seized in the case so far." Talking about trafficker the NCB said, "Four drug traffickers, including the mastermind of the operation, have been arrested."

The NCB raided a flat at Dastan Residency in Palsana, the residence of Mahendra Bishnoi and recovered 1.8 kg of opium, ₹25.6 lakh in cash, and drug-manufacturing chemicals. Investigators identified Bishnoi as the brain behind the network. The syndicate, investigators found, was preparing to supply large consignments to Rajasthan, a market Mahendra Bishnoi knew well. NCB records show Mahendra is a habitual offender, with earlier NDPS cases in both Rajasthan and Gujarat.

Released on bail in 2024, Mahendra put that knowledge to work. The investigation led NCB teams to the Hebbal Industrial Area of Mysore, Karnataka, where a seemingly legitimate unit was operating under the guise of manufacturing cleaning chemicals. The lab had been rented in the name of a relative of a co-accused. The co-accused was arrested soon after. Inside the sealed facility, NCB seized over 500 kg of chemicals, narcotics worth nearly ₹10 crore, the Fortuner used for transport.

BIG HAUL

35 kg mephedrone seized in a Karnataka SUV during a Surat stop on January 28

NCB traced it to an interstate drug syndicate

4 traffickers, including mastermind Mahendra Bishnoi, arrested

Bishnoi's flat had opium, **₹25.6** lakh, and chemicals

500 kg

CHEMICALS, ₹10 CR DRUGS & VEHICLE SEIZED FROM MYSORE LAB

Lab sealed; syndicate planned large consignments for Rajasthan

Sai, surrendered Naxals run for peace in Bastar

EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

CHHATTISGARH Chief Minister Vishnu Deo Sai on Saturday flagged off the 'Abujhmad Peace Half Marathon 2026' in Narayanpur district, about 400 km south of Raipur. The event was marked by the participation of around 10,000 runners, including former Maoist cadres. The vast Abujhmad — an unknowable (Abujh) hilly terrain (maad), in south Chhattisgarh's edgy district of Narayanpur, was once the common address of senior leaders of the outlawed CPI (Maoist).

Stretching from Narayanpur to Basing, the 21-km race, served as a platform for the state to showcase its shifting landscape of peace now returning in the region.The poignant highlight was the participation of former Red rebels who once operated in these Abujhmad forests. "We want to show our brothers still in the jungle that there is a life of dignity and peace waiting for them," said a participant who surrendered last year.

Alongside local tribal youths and 60 international athletes, the surrendered Naxalites ran to signal their reintegration into the mainstream.

"Today, Abujhmad region is sending a strong message of peace and harmony to the world. There was a time when even security forces found it difficult to reach here, but today, thousands have gathered without fear," Chief Minister Sai said.

CM Vishnu Deo Sai during the marathon in Narayanpur district on Saturday

Environmentalists seek dedicated budgetary provisions for Himalaya

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

GIVEN the ecological sensitivity, and growing vulnerability due to climate change, environmentalists have demanded special provisions in the union budget for the Himalayan region, with a focus on prevention, preparedness, response and rehabilitation.

A letter to the member secretary of National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) in Union Government by Guman Singh, Coordinator of Himalaya Niti Abhiyan, and Kulbhushan Upamanyu, president of Himalaya Bachao Samiti, besides fifteen more organisations have demanded that as far as climate change adaptation and mitigation is concerned, there should be region-specific climate adaptation plans.

Also, focus should be on promotion of climate-resilient livelihoods and sustainable tourism models.

The letter reads that a dedicated budgetary provisions for psychological counselling and trauma care for disaster-affected families should be done and special focus on children, elderly persons, women, and persons with disabilities, who suffer long-term besides emotional and mental stress after disasters.

It stressed on that the fact that the government should accept climate refugee as legal term and legal revision shall be in place for their rehabilitation and resettlement. "A special provisions for land pooling and land banks for landless and displaced families, rehabilitation," it stated.

GROUPS FLAG CLIMATE VULNERABILITY

Environmental groups cite climate vulnerability to seek special Union Budget provisions for Himalayas

The Himalaya Niti Abhiyan, Himalaya Bachao Samiti and 15 other entities have submitted a letter to NDMA

The letter demands region-specific climate adaptation plans and climate-resilient livelihoods

It also seeks budgetary support for psychological counselling for disaster-affected families

The organisations urge recognition of climate refugees with land and rehabilitation measures

Amit Shah slams TMC, vows jail for corrupt

SUBHENDU MAITI @ Kolkata

UNION Home Minister **Amit Shah** on Saturday attacked the Trinamool Congress in poll-bound West Bengal, alleging that no other administration in the country was as corrupt as the Mamata Banerjee-led regime and asserting that BJP would jail corrupt leaders if voted to power.

Addressing BJP workers at meetings in Barrackpore and Siliguri, Shah said the party would form the government with an absolute majority. He said BJP aimed to secure over 50 per cent vote share, compared to 38 per cent in the 2021 Assembly polls and 39 per cent in the 2024 Lok Sabha elections, where it won 77 Assembly seats.

He accused the state government of giving corruption an institutional shape and shielding tainted leaders. Targeting Mamata Banerjee and her nephew Abhishek Banerjee, Shah alleged corruption exceeding Rs 1,000 crore and questioned whether jailed Trinamool leaders would be renominated to prevent disclosures. Shah referred to alleged scams including Saradha, Narada, coal and cattle smuggling, school recruitment and the public distribution system, and said corruption continued despite arrests.

He accused the state of blocking border fencing by denying land to the Border Security Force and alleged infiltrators were being protected for electoral gains, adding a BJP government would secure the border within 45 days. Referring to the factory fire that killed 25 workers, Shah alleged corruption and administrative failure and asked why the owners had not been arrested.

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e-Tender Notice Nos. C/E.29/ Elec/M/SC/38/OEW/OT/2025-26 Dt.29.01.2026

PUB/1844

For and on behalf of President of India, the undersigned invites e-tender for the given below work up to 15.00 hours on 19.02.2026

S.No.: 01 **e-Tender No.:** etenderNo.C/E.29/Elec/M/SC/38/OEW/OT/2025-26 etender No.E-M-SC-38-OT-2025-26 **Name of work:** Secunderabad Division Electrical Maintenance Department : (i) Up gradation of Substation at DKJ, ZB & SNF stations for improve reliability of power supply. (ii) Shifting of Substation from PF No.3 to PF No.1 at BIDAR. (iii)Provision of RMUs in place 4 pole structures at substations of MCI, BPA,MMZ, SKZR MAGH, LPI, ELS/KZJ, DLS/KZJ, LRB Substation, DLS/KZJ , DLS colony , DLS-HT Incoming Point ,BG & KHNP, BDCR substations (iv) Augmentation and strengthening of HT power supply arrangements SNF, RDM, BPA & DKJ Depots - Electrical arrangements. **Tender Value (₹):** 8,69,19,846.65 **EMD (₹):** 5,84,600.00 **CTF (₹):** 0.00 **Completion period:** 6 Months

1. Tender conditions/other particulars are available in the Tender documents on IREPS website at "**www.ireps.gov.in**" which can be downloaded, can be participated and can view any modifications if any.
2. The tender notice is also displayed in the Notice Board located in the office of Sr.DEE(Maintenance), Secunderabad Division, South Central Railway, Secunderabad which can be seen on all working days.
3. The Railway reserves the right to cancel the tender without assigning any reason thereto.

Sr.Divisional Electrical Engineer/ (M)/Secunderabad

TENDER NOTICE NO: 57/2026 Dt.30.01.2026.
SUPPLY OF STORES ITEMS
e-Procurement Tender Notice

PUB/1849

The Following Tenders Have Been Floated Online. Tenders Are Requested To Visit The Website **www.ireps.gov.in** And Submit Their Offers Online. The Tender Description, Qty, EMD, SD May Be Seen In Website. Offers Submitted Manually Will Not Be Accepted. Offers By Post Will Not Be Entertained. Tender Closing Time Is 14.30 Hrs Of The Due Date Of The Tender. "For All Indigenous Offers, EMD Will Be Accepted Only Via Online System As Available On **www.ireps.gov.in**."

Tender No.	Brief Description
33251674A	Knuckle for high tensile tight lock centre
33251515A	Brake Cylinder
LH257454	Flex ball cable short (L-2333MM)
30251193B	Hanger for Bogie Bolster Suspension
29261485	Set of pins and Bushes for brake rigging of WAP-7 locos
38262034	Constant contact polyurethane side bearer Assembly
6025PT041	End cut metal liners (1)RDSO,Drg.NO.T-9681/8748(2) RDSO, Drg.NO.T-4511/3740-
LS255442	CNC Air plasma cutting machine
6025PT044	Metal liners RDSO, Drg.NO.T-3740-
6025PT046	Metal liners RDSO, Drg.NO.T-8748
LS265008	Hydraulic vertical 4 column press
56251244	Counter weight for Electric lifting barrier
82255019	HQ-MED-GTE-Advanced Apheresis system
6025PT050	Composite Grooved rubber sole plates to RDSO Drg no. T-8747
6025PT047	NCR GRSP 10mm thick to RDSO Drg.no.T-9790
54251139	EOLB Components Boom Assembly
6025PT049	Composite Grooved rubber sole plates to RDSO Drg no. T-6618
SCR-26-CAP-NG8W	RC For supply of New Gantry(8Wheeler) for TRT

Note:-Due dates of Tender Opening: SL.No.01 on dt.13.02.2026.SL.No. 02 on dt.16.02.2026. SL.No. 03&04 on dt.17.02.2026 SL.No.05&06 on 20.02.2026.SL.No.07 on dt.23.02.2026 SL.No.08 on dt.24.02.2026 SL.No. 09 on dt.25.02.2026 SL.No.10&11 on dt.26.02.2026 SL.No.12 to 14 on dt.02.03.2026 SL.No.15 on dt.03.03.2026 SL.No.16 on dt.04.03.2026. SL.No.17 on dt.16.03.2026 SL.No.18 on dt.26.02.2026.

CORRIGENDUM

1) Tender Notice No.54/2025 dt. 09.01.2026 Tender No.38252363 due on 02.02.2026 Brieff ; Non-Asbestos 'L'Type Composition Brake Block may be read as Due date 12.02.2026 instead of existing

Beside Above Mentioned Tenders There Are Other Tenders Having **Value Above Rs.50 Lakhs.**

For Details, Please Visit Railway Website Above.

A2337 **Principal Chief Materials Manager/Secunderabad**

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I, **KIRAN KUMAR.C,** R/at No.25, 4th Cross, 1st Main Road, Gokul Extn, Yeshwanthpur, Bangalore-560 022, hereby declare that I have Lost the Sale Deed Document No. 2887/1978-80 and sale deed document No. 5471/1984-85 of property Municipal Corporation No. 37/4, New No.32/4, Mathikere Main Road, Coporation Division 1, Ward No.4, Mathikere, Bangalore-560054.
If anyone finds the documents contact me at within 7 days from the date of publication of this notice. Mobile No: 9845990161.
Lost article report has been lodged under Bangalore City Police. Lost Report No. 2036064/2026, dt: 30/01/2026.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public, our client has lost Original conditional deed of Sale dated 09.06.1999, executed by Karnataka Housing Board in favour of Smt. H.Hemavathy registered as document no.581/89-90 Book-1, Volume no. 12, pages 136-141 at the office of the Sub-registrar, KR Puram pertaining to "SCHEDULE PROPERTY" while transit. If found, kindly hand over the same to the undersigned.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Immovable Property bearing House No.27, LIG, BBMP EPID No.6467769413, Katha No.43/LIG/27, in Karnataka Housing Board Colony, Situated at K.Narayanapura Village, Krishnarajapura Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, Presently under the limits of BBMP, measuring East to West 9.14 meters or 30 feet, and North to South 12.19 meters or 40 feet, totally measuring 111.42 square meters or 1200 square feet, consisting A RCC Roofed House Building of 400 square feet, with Red-oxide Flooring, Jungle Wood Doors and Windows, together with all Appurtenances Whatsoever Underneath or above the surface & bounded on:
East by House No.26
West by House No.28
North by Road;
South by House No.38

S.Raj Prabhu, Advocate
Off : No. 10, 1st floor, 13th Cross, Vasanthnagar, Opp. To Kodava Samaja Bangalore- 560 052 Ph : 9448559090
Date : 31/01/2026 Bangalore

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-2 KARNATAKA
4TH FLOOR, BSNL BUILDING, RAJ BHAVAN ROAD, BENGALURU-560001
OA: 1971/2024

BETWEEN:
BANK OF MAHARASHTRA
Brigade Road Branch ....APPLICANT
AND
1)M/S GRUHA BANDARA ELECTRONICS AND FURNITURE, A partnership concern, With its office at No.69/70/71, Ground Floor, 3rd Cross, Ullal Main Road, Jnagna Bharthi, Bangalore-560056. **represented by partners: Chethan L, Naveen G and Gavimalla G B. 2)Mr. CHETHAN L** S/o Lingaiah, No.739, 2nd cross, 1st Main, Nagarbhavi Main road, Priyadarshini Layout, Moodalapalya, Banglore -560072. **3)Mr. NAVEEN G** S/o Gopal, No.62, 3rd Cross, JP Nagar, 8th Phase, 11th Block, Anjanapura BDA Layout, Banglore -560083. **4)Mr. GAVIMALLA G B** S/o Basavaiah, No.53/54 House No. S1, 3rd Floor, Kogiluyalankha, Banglore-560064.
........DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS UNDER RULE 23 (VIII) OF THE DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES 1993 TO DEFENDANTS THROUGH PAPER PUBLICATION

To, 1) M/S GRUHA BANDARA ELECTRONICS AND FURNITURE, A partnership concern, With its office at, No.69/70/71, Ground Floor, 3rd Cross, Ullal Main Road, Jnagna Bharthi, Bangalore-560056. **represented by partners: Chethan L, Naveen G and Gavimalla G B. 2)Mr. NAVEEN G** S/o Gopal No.62, 3rd Cross, JP Nagar, 8th Phase, 11th Block, Anjanapura, BDA Layout, Banglore-560083. **3)Mr. GAVIMALLA G B** S/o Basavaiah, No.53/54 House No S1, 3rd Floor, Kogiluyalankha, Banglore-560064.

Whereas the Applicant bank has instituted an application under section 19 of the Recovery of Debts due to Bank and Bankruptcy Act 1993 against you for the sum of recovery of **Rs. 27,74,154/-** with current and future interest, cost and other reliefs. You are hereby required to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication of the summons on or before **06.03.2026 at 10.30 AM** in the forenoon in person or by a Pleader/ Advocate duly instructed as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice, that in default of appearance, on the day mentioned hereinabove, the proceedings will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this Hon'ble Tribunal on this **29-01-2026.**

Signature of the Officer (Authorized to issue summons) DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL -2, BANGALORE

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL – II AT BANGALORE
New Premises at 4th Floor, Telephone House Building. Rajbhavan Road Bangalore – 560001

O.A.No: 1217/2021

BETWEEN:
Canara Bank **....Applicant**
AND
M/s Mylari agro products & Ors
....Defendants

SUMMONS/NOTICE TO DEFENDANTS UNDER RULE 23(viii) OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES, 1993, BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

To
1. Maylari Agro Products Limited
A company within the meaning of the Companies Act, 1956 and having its **Registered address at :** No.SB/168, Ground floor, 3rd Cross, Peenya Industrial Area, Near Maini Company, Peenya 1st Stage, Bangalore – 560 058.
Corporate office at: No.38/18, 1st floor, II Cross, RMC Yard Near Fire Station, Yeshwanthapura, Bangalore-560 022.
2. Mr. Mahesh S/o. Dyavappagowda **Having address at :** Vadarahalli, Beechanahalli Hole Hassan, Karnataka.
4. Mr. V.P. Prakash S/o.Puttaswamy gowda, **Having address at :** Vadarahalli, Beechanahalli Hole Hassan, Karnataka.
....Defendants

Whereas, the applicant has instituted an application/interlocutory application under section 19 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institution Act, 1993 against the defendants for recovery of a 4 Sum of **Rs.4,35,01,431.55/-** with current and future interest, cost and other reliefs. You are hereby required to show cause within 30 days from the date. of publication of the summons on or before **02.02.2026, 10.30 A.M** in the forenoon in person or by Pleader/Advocate duly instructed as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.
Take notice that in case of default the application/interlocutory application will be heard and date remained in your absence.
Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this 02.01.2026.

Signature of the Officer (Authorized to issue Summon) DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL – II BANGALORE
PP Summons Given for DRT –II
Advocate for the applicant
Sd/- (VIGNESH SHETTY)

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby notified to the general public that my client **Mrs. SULTANA BEGUM** W/o Mohammed Ashraff, R/o No.12, 1st Floor, Ali and Fathima Cottage, Hanumanthappa Layout, Sultanpalya, R.T. Nagar Post, Bangalore-560032 has lost the original notarized General Power of Attorney dated: 29.07.2015, executed by Mohammed Ashraff appointed Sultana Begum, to purchase property.
If anybody finds or comes to know of the said original GPA kindly intimate or deliver the same to the undersigned who shall be suitably rewarded.

Azeemuddin M Mothekhan
Advocate at **Oasis Legal Solutions**
No.30, 2nd Floor, CBI Main Road, Ganganagar, Bangalore-560032.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client proposes to purchase the schedule property from thepresent **Mrs. BHAGYAMMA,** W/o. **Late Mahadevappa,** No.637/A, 12th Main, 3rd Stage, 1st Block, Basaveshwaranagara, BANGALORE 560 079 and the same is purchased vide Deed of Absolute Sale dated 06-09-2019, document No.2483/2019-20, Book I, recorded in CD No.RJND 491 and registered at the office of the Sub Registrar, Rajajinagar, Bangalore.
Any person or persons having any claims/objections for the above sale transaction may lodge their claims/objections with documentary evidence within **FIFTEEN (15) DAYS** from the date of publication of this notice with the undersigned, failing which, thereafter my client shall proceed to complete the sale transaction in respect of the schedule property. Any claims received beyond stipulated period will not be entertained.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Residential immovable property bearing EKhata No.1002466371, Property No.125/A (old BDA Site No.125/A), **situated at 3rd Stage. 1stBlock, Manjunathnagar, West of Chord Road, Bangalore, Ward No.100- Basaveshwaranagara,** together with the old and dilapidated building thereon and site measuring : **EAST TO WEST: 8.70 Meters. NORTH TO SOUTH: 11.90 Meters TOTAL AREA:103.53 Square Meters** and bounded as follows : **EAST BY: Property bearing No.126/A. WEST BY: Property bearing No.91. NORTH BY: Property bearing No.125. SOUTH BY:Road**

Mr. SADASHIVA M.H.
ADVOCATE KRM ASSOCIATES
No.137, Ground Floor 5th Main, 3rd Stage 2nd Block, Basaveshwaranagara BANGALORE – 560 079. Ph.No.9980816715
Email:lawfirm.krm@gmail.com
BANGALORE DATED : 01.02.2026

CENTRE FOR DEVELOPMENT OF IMAGING TECHNOLOGY (C-DIT)
Thiruvallam, Thiruvananthapuram-27
Ph: 0471-2380910/912/895

TENDER NOTICE

C-DIT invites e tender for the "Supply and Installation of Interactive Application Software for Complex Security Designs and Patterns for Valuable Documents".
Last date: 07.02.2026, 03.00 PM
Tender id:2026_CDIT_832488 _1
For details visit www.cdit.org
31.01.2026 Registrar, C-DIT

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the General Public that **K. S. Kumuda Veni** bearing aadhaar No:8236 3935 3654 W/o K. Sreenivasulu Reddy is at present the full and absolute owner of the immovable property mentioned in the schedule hereunder. In respect of the said property one original sale deed dated 24-09-2010 , registered as document No. JGN-1-02551-2010-11,stored in CD NO.JGND107, registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar Bannerghatta Jigani , executed by H V Nagaraj S/o Late M V Rajaiah as Vendor conveyed in favour of B Kanteeravaraju as purchaser it is observed that the original of the said document has been misplaced and is not traceable yet. Pursuant to the same a police Complaint has already been lodged earlier dated 01-07-2022 bearing GSC NO.P02144220600357 Vide Serial No.76A and reference No. 357/2022.In the event anybody finds it or is in possession of the same kindly inform/contact and hand over the same to K S Kumuda Veni the undersigned at the below mentioned address/Mobile No. within 10 days from the date of publication of this notice.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Site No.37, JangerNo.559/60/1A2, converted for non-Agricultural residential Purpose Vide Conversion Order No.BDS.ALN. (AJ)SR 121/ 2006-07, dated 03.10.2008, Passed by Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, measuring East to West: 80 ft. and North to South: 50 ft: in all measuring 4000 Sq.ft. Situated at Kachanayanakahalli Village, Hennagara Post, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore, and bounded as follows: **EAST BY:** Road; **WEST BY :**Site No.28 and 29;**NORTH BY:**Site No.38; **SOUTH BY :** Site No.36

Vijay Kashyap .S, Advocate, No.1215, 5th Cross, 1st Phase, J.P Nagar , Bangalore-78 ,
MOB:9916575700/9844036018/9945342789

AXIS BANK

Retail Lending and Payment Group (South Zonal Office/Branch): Axis Bank Ltd, # 45 Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Regional Passport Office, Near: Urvashi Theatre, Lalbagh Road, Lalbagh, Bangalore – 560 027.
Axis Bank Ltd., 3rd Floor, Gigaplex, NPC – 1, TTC Industrial Area, Mugalsan Road, Airoli, Navi Mumbai – 400 708. Registered Office: "Trishul", 3rd Floor Opp. Samartheshwar Temple Law Garden, Ellisbridge, Ahmedabad – 380006.

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
Public notice for Sale/Auction of immovable properties {Under SARFAESI Act read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules}

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property is mortgaged/charged to the secured creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of Secured Creditor will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is"** on **19.02.2026** for recovery of **Rs.1,32,12,391/- (Rupees One Core Thirty Two Lakhs Twelve Thousand Three Hundred and Ninety One Only)** being the amount due as on **29.12.2025** with future interest and costs due to the secured creditor from **Borrower: (1) Mr. Mohamed Athaur Rahman** S/o.Mr.Mohamed Zlaur Rahman, Flat No.E4, Aparva Maples 5th Block, 1st Main HBR Layout, Bangalore-560043. **Also At:** Flat No.4E, 3rd Floor, Apurva Maples, 1st Main, 5th Block, HBR Layout, Hennur Village, Kasaba Hobli,Bangalore-560043. **(2) Mrs. Sameena Fathima** W/o.Mr.Mohamed Athaur Rahman, Flat No.E4, Aparva Maples 5th Block, 1st Main HBR Layout, Bangalore-560043. **Also At:** Flat No.4E, 3rd Floor, Apurva Maples, 1st Main, 5th Block, HBR Layout, Hennor Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore-560043., **Loan Ref no: 5147.** Please refer theappended auction schedule for necessary details: -

Known Encumbrances (If any)	**NIL**
Reserve Price (in Rs.)	**Rs. 1,80,91,250/- (Rupees One Core Eighty Lakhs Ninety One Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Only)**
Earnest Money Deposit (in Rs.)	**Rs.18,09,125/-(Rupees Eighteen Lakhs Nine Thousand one Hundred and Twenty Five Only) through DD/PO in favor of 'Axis Bank Ltd.' payable at Bangalore**
Bid Incremental Amount	**Rs. 50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand only)**
Last Date, Time and Venue for Submission of Bids / Tender with EMD	**Till 18.02.2026 latest by 05:00 P.M. at Axis Bank Ltd,** # 45 Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Regional Passport Office, Near: Urvashi Theatre, Lalbagh Road, Lalbagh, Bangalore–560 027. Addressed to **Mr. Raghunath**
Date, Time, and Venue for Public Auction	**On 19.02.2026, between 11.00 A.M and 12.00 Noon** with unlimited extensions of 5 minutes each at web portal **https://www.bankeauctions.com** e-auction tender documents containing e-auction bid form, declaration etc., are available on the website of the Service Provider as mentioned above

SCHEDULE: Description Of Property Belongs To Mrs.Sameena Fathima W/o. Mr.Mohammed Athaur Rahman

Schedule'a' Property (Description Of The Entire Property) : All That Piece And Parcel Of The Residential Property Bearing Sy No.108/6, Situated At Hennur Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk Bangalore, Area Measuring 19.5 Guntas Or 21,235 Square Feet, Having Acquired The Property Through Registered Sale Deed Document No.34944. Dated 1-09-2006 Of 06-07 And Bearing Cmc Khatha No.310, Issued By The Cmc Bytarayanapura, And Dc Conversion Order No.Alnsr(Nk) Cr-02/05- 06, Dated:10-07-2006, Khatha Issued By The Bbmp Bearing No.310/108/06, Dated: 05-08-2008, Bangalore, As Detailed In The Schedule Hereunder And Bounded On The : East By : Private Property, West By : Road, North By : Well, South By : Private Property.
Schedule "B" (Description Of Undivided Share Hereby Conveyed) : An Undivided Share Of 1050 Square Feet In The Land Comprised In The Schedule A Property.
Schedule 'C' Property : All That Part And Parcel Of The Residential Flat Bearing No. 4 E. On The Third Floor, Dbmp Khailia No.861/310/108/6-20tf-E-4, Of The Apartment Known As 'Apurva Maples" Constructed On The Goboduk. A Poperly And Consisting Of One Hall Kielen, Utiliw, Five Bedrootus. & Milets. Ditane Croi Jall, Mosaic Flooring Fanse Wood Dones Al Aluminio, A Maloons, In All Comesanting Super Built Area Of 3000 Square Feet And Two Car Parking Slots In The Stilt Floor, Together With Proportionate Share In Common Area Passage, Lobbies, Staircases, Overhead/Underground Tanks And Other Areas Of Common Use, Excluding Terrace Area.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in the secured creditor's website i.e. https://www.axisbank.com/auction-retail and the Bank's approved service provider M/S C1 India Private Limited at their web portal https://www.bankeauctions.com

The auction will be conducted online through the Bank's approved service provider M/s.C1 India Private Limited at their web portal https://www.bankeauctions.com. For any other assistance, the intending bidders may contact **Mr. Raghunath & Mr.Karthick.R at Axis Bank Ltd,** # 45 Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Regional Passport Office, Near: Urvashi Theatre, Lalbagh Road, Lalbagh, Bangalore-560027 **(Mobile No.9886960484 & +91-9080589635, Authorized officer of the Bank during office hours from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**
This Notice should be considered as 15 Days' Notice to the Borrowers/ Co-borrowers/Guarantors under Rule 8(6) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) (Amendment) Rules, 2002.

Date : 30.01.2026 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bangalore **AXIS BANK LTD.,**

DOCUMENT LOST

I, **CHANDRASHEKAR N,** residing at Yelahanka Bangalore do hereby inform to the general public that on 30-01-2026, while I was travelling near Yelahanka New Town, Bangalore, I have lost the documents of Licenced Suveryor ID Card, vide Doc. No. 20/6352 and Licenced Surveyor Certificate, vide Doc. No. 13 issued by Goverment of Karnataka. Inspite of my best efforts I could not trace the same and in this regard on 30-01-2026, I had lodged police complaint at Police Unit, Bengaluru City, vide Lost Report No. 2036089/2026. If anybody finds the above said document of is in possession, please handover the same to the above said address or contact me on **8310838053.**

DOCUMENT LOST

I, **Prathap .S,** residing at Angatta Village, Kuduvathi Post, Nandi Hobli, Chikkaballapura do hereby inform to the general public that on 29-01-2026, while I was travelling near Yelahanka, I have lost my Identity Card of Survey Department, vide Licence No. 20/6348 issued by Government of Karnataka. Inspite of my best efforts I could not trace the same and in this regard I had lodged police complaint at Police Unit, Bengaluru City, vide Lost Report No. 2035581/2026. If anybody finds the above said document of is in possession, please handover the same to the above said address or contact me on **7676595952.**

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that Smt. Shabana Taj W/o Late Fairoz Pasha Aged About 41 Residing at No. 167/1 Krishnamurthy Colony, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560011 is the absolute owner of 'schedule' described property.,
We are informed that the original Sale Deed dated 23-11-2006 registered as document No.JAY-1-04732-2006-07, executed by Sri V. Yeshwant in favour of Hydar Pasha and Zahera Bee the office of the Sub-Registrar, Jayanagar Bangalore, Pertaining to the Schedule Property is Lost/Misplaced, In this Connection an E-Complaint has been Lodged on 29-01-2026 at Bangalore City Lost report No: 2033330/2026. If found please return the same to the below mentioned address **within 7 days.**

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of property bearing No.111, K M Colony, Lalbagh Bangalore - 560011, and bounded as follows:
East by : Property No.108
West by : Road
North by : Property No.110
South by : Property No.112

MALTESH .M.M, Advocate
Shareef Nagar, Chikkagollarahatti, Magdi Main Road, Bangalore-562123)
(P.h No. 8861074932)

DOCUMENT LOST

This is to inform the general public that my client **ZUBAIR AHMED,** residing at No. 61, Kambipura, Kumbalagodu Post, Bangalore have lost the document of Absolute Sale Deed, vide Doc. No. 12458/2015-16 with respect to property bearing portion of Vacant Site No. 1060, Assessment No. 15/2, V.P. Katha No. 349, situated at Kambipura Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, within the limits of Kumbalagodu Gramapanchayath, measuring East to West: 29.00 ft and North to South: 30.00 ft, totally measuring 870sqft and bounded on East by: Site No. 1061, West by: Road, North by: Road, South by: Private property, while he was travelling near Kambipura in between 27-06-2025 and 28-06-2025.
Inspite of his best efforts he could not trace the same and in this regard on 19-01-2026, he had lodged online complaint at Police Unit, Bengaluru South, vide Lost Report No. 2017263/2026. If anybody finds the above said document or is in possession, please handover the same to the below said address.

MOIN PASHA, Advocate
39/2, 5th Floor, ASVNV Bhavan, Opp. Mysore Bank, K.G. Road, Bangalore-560 009. Mobile: 90367 56784

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E-mail : edrugs.kmscl@kerala.gov.in,
website : www.kmscl.kerala.gov.in, CIN No. U24233KL2007SGC021616

No.KMSCL/ED/39/2025 **Date : 31.01.2026**

E-TENDER NOTICE

Online bids are invited for the procurement of Test Kits for Plan Fund and NVBDCP for Department of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of Kerala vide e-tender no KMSCL/ED/Test Kits(Plan & NVBDCP)/RC/ 2026/001 dated: 31.01.2026.

Sl. No.	Name of Item	No. of Items	Last Date & time of Uploading of tender	Date & time of Technical Bid opening
1.	**Medical Diagnostic Test Kits**	7	16.02.26 5.00 pm.	19.02.26 11.30 am.

Tenders shall be downloaded and submitted online through the e-tender portal **www.etenders.kerala.gov.in**.
(Sd/-) MANAGING DIRECTOR (Tender Inviting Authority)

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client intends to purchase the Schedule Property from Sri. N. Chandra Shekar, S/o P Narayanaswamy, who acquired it via Sale Deed dated 18.12.1997, Reg. Document No. 6820/1997-98, Book 1, CD No. 27, Sub-Registrar, Bengaluru South Taluk. If any person, bank, or authority has objections to the proposed sale or claims on the property, please lodge them with documentary proof within 10 days from the publication date of this notice. If no objections are received, it will be presumed the property is free from encumbrances, and my client will proceed with the purchase. Claims received after this period may not be entertained.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the Piece and Parcel of on immovable property bearing No.1B, Property bearing No. 6, E-PID No. 9725367896, measuring to an extent of 1806 Sq. ft house list Khata No.126/179/2, situated at Nirguna Mandir Extension, Cauvery Colony, Shinivagalu Village, Begur Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk thereon and bounded by:
East by : Private Property and measuring on that Side 45 feet;
West by : Road and measuring on that side 41 feet ;
North by : Private Property and measuring on that side 40 feet ;
South by : Plot No.1A & measuring on that side 44 feet;

A. P. LAW ASSOCIATES
No.1642/28, 3rd Main, 1st Cross Ramamohanpuram Near Srirampura Metro Station, (Behind Devaiah Park), Bengaluru-560021.
Mob:- 9844378777/6263583397
Date:31-01-2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client intended to purchase the Schedule Property **Sri D. Chandrashekar,** S/o Sri V. Doreswamy Reddy, residing at No. 48, II Main Road, Sakamma Garden, Basavanagudi, Bangalore-560004 and he is claiming that he is the sole absolute owner of the schedule property, for valuable sale consideration.
If any person/s having any claim, right, title, interest, whatsoever over the Schedule Property, may forward his/her/their objections in writing with supporting documents to the undersigned within TEN DAYS from the date of publication of this notice. Failing which, it will be deemed that, there is no claim, right, title or interest from anybody except the sellers, and my client will proceed for completion of purchase transaction and will get registered the Absolute Sale Deed of schedule property in their names.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of residential immovable property site bearing No.23, Present BBMP Khata No. 625/6/5, BBMP Ward No. 184, carved out of residentially converted Sy.No.5, (vide conversion order bearing No. ALN(SU)SR/135/2011-12 dated 16.05.2012), of Old Marasandra Village, Subramanyapura Dhakale, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring East to West Northern side 32 feet, Southern side 31.5 feet (32 +31.5)/2 = 31.75 feet) and North to South Eastern side 40.5 feet, Western side 40.75 feet (40.5+40.75)/2 = 40.625 feet), total measuring 1289.844 Square feet and bounded on:
East by : Site No. 24,
West by : 30 feet Road,
North by : 30 feet Road,
South by : Site No. 22

K.V. SHYAMA PRASADA, Advocate
No. 100, II Floor, 14th Cross, Kilari Road, Bangalore - 560 053

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DEPARTMENT OF SPACE
U. R. RAO SATELLITE CENTRE
CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE GROUP
HAL AIRPORT ROAD, VIMANAPURA POST, BENGALURU - 560 017.
Phone: 080 2508-4185, 4156
BRIEF TENDER NOTICES

1.On behalf of the President of India, **item- rate** tender is invited for the following work:

Description	Details
Name of work	Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of 1500 kVA, LT DG Set with connected works at URSC Main Campus, Bengaluru.
E-Tender Notice	URSC/C&MG/E/C/19/2025-26 Dt. 28/01/2026
Estimated cost put to Tender	₹ 232.71 Lakhs
Period of completion in months	Ten (10) Months
Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	**₹ 4,65,420/- valid for 180 Days**

2.Interested tenderers may please refer Detailed Notice Inviting Tender (NIET) for eligibility criteria and other details in website: **www.isro.gov.in** and download the tender documents from **www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO** **Sd/- Group Director, C&MG, URSC**

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A Government of India Undertaking)

Asset Recovery Management Branch Kolar
New Extension, Near ITO, Doom Light Circle, Kolar Town - 563 101.

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assests and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provisio to Rule 8 (6) of Security Intrest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the effect that the immovable properties described herein, taken possession under the provisions of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, will be sold by inviting tenders on the following terms & conditions. E-Auction arranged by the service provider : **E-bkray (M/s PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd), (Contact No. 7046612345 / 6354910172 / 8291220220 / 9892219848 / 8160205051, Email: support.ebkray@psballiance.com / support.ebkray@procure247.com**

Neme of Borrowers and Guarantors	Total Liabilities as per Sale Notice	Description of Immovable Assets	E-Auction Date & Time	Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Date & Time	1) Incremetal Value at Bid 2) A/c. No. & IFSC
1) Mr Anish Baby S/o. Baby Kurian Flat No. 1008, A3 Block, SNN RAJ SERENITY, Begur, Koppa Road, Yelenahalli, Begur- 560068. **2) Susan M Eappen** W/o. Anish baby, No. 5/650A, Puthur Vayal, Gudalur, Gudalur Bazaar, The Nilgiris, Tamil Nadu 643212. **3) Fortune Motor, Represented by Partners : Mr. Anish Baby And Susan M Eappen,** Sonalika Tractors, Near HP Petrol Pump, MB Road, Kolar-563101.	**Rs. ₹ 2,79,33,781/-** (Rupees Two Crore Seventy Nine Lakh thirty three thousand seven hundred and Eighty One Only) plus un applied interest w.e.f 29.01.2026 and Bank charges.	**Schedule "A"** property All that piece and parcel of converted lands measuring 3 acres 8 guntas in Sy No 49/1, 19 guntas in Sy No 40/1, 4 acres 19 guntas in Sy no 40/2, 2 acres 25 guntas in Sy No 40/3, 1 acre 19 guntas in Sy No 40/4 , 25 guntas in Sy No 40/5 ,1 acre 29 guntas in Sy No 40/6 situated in Yelenahalli Village , Begur Hobli , Bangalore South Taluk and **bounded on the East By:** Peripherals Road, **West By:** 61 Ft Wide Road, **North By:** Tank and Private Road, **South By:** Private land. **Schedule "B"** property An undivided share equivalent to 485 sft right, title and interest in the Schedule A Property. **Schedule "C"** property All that piece and parcel of Apartment bearing No 1008, with Three bed rooms measuring 1455 Sq.Ft. of super built up area situated on 10th Floor of Block "A3" of "SNN RAJ SERENITY" developed/ constructed on schedule "A" property together with one covered car parking slot bearing No. MLCP 4-66 in 4th Floor of Multi Level car Parking Complex and said apartment is constructed with RCC roofing, vitrified flooring with UPVC Windows.	**09.03.2026 from 12.00 p.m. to 02.00 p.m.**	**Reserve Price : Rs. 1,06,11,000/-** **EMD : Rs. 10,61,100/- on or before 08.03.2026, 5.00 p.m.**	1) Multiples of **Rs. 50,000/-** 2) A/c. No. **209272434** IFSC : **CNRB0007898** **Encumbrance (s) : Not known to Bank**

Note : As on date, No Encumbrance Known to Bank for the above mention properties.

Other terms and Conditions :

a) Auction/bidding shall be only through "Online Electronic Bidding" through the website **https://www.bankeauctions.com** Bidders are advised to go through the website for detailed terms before taking part in the e-auction sale proceedings. **b)** The property can be inspected, with Prior Appointment with **Authorised Officer, on or before 07.03.2026 between bank working hours. c)** The property will be sold for the price which is more than the Reserve Price and the participating bidders may improve their offer further during auction process. **d)** EMD amount of 10% of the Reserve Price is to be deposited in E-Wallet of **(https://baanknet.com),** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan. **e)** After payment of the EMD amount, the intending bidders should submit a copy of the following documents/details on or before **08.03.2026 - 5.00 PM** to **Canara Bank, ARM Branch Kolar** by hand or by email. i) Demand Draft/Pay order towards EMD amount. If paid through RTGS/NEFT, acknowledgement receipt thereof with UTR No. ii) Photocopies of PAN Card, ID Proof and Address proof. However, successful bidder would have to produce these documents in original to the Bank at the time of making payment of balance amount of 25% of bid amount. iii) Bidders Name. Contact No. Address, E Mail ID. iv) Bidder's A/c details for online refund of EMD. **f)** The intending bidders should register their names at portal **(https://baanknet.com),** / and get their User ID and password free of cost. Prospective bidder may avail online training on E- auction from the service provider **(https://baanknet.com), (Contact No. 8291220220 / 6354910172 / 8291220220 / 9892219848 / 8160205051, Email: support.baanknet@psballiance.com /. g)** EMD deposited by the unsuccessful bidder shall be refunded to them. The EMD shall not carry any interest. **h)** Auction would commence at Reserve Price, as mentioned above. Bidders shall improve their offers in multiples of **Rs. 50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand Only).** The bidder who submits the highest bid (above the Reserve price) on closure of 'Online' auction shall be declared as successful bidder. Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor. **i)** The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD already paid), immediately on declaring him/her as the successful bidder and the balance on or before 15 days from the date of confimation of sale by the secured creditor. If the successful bidder fails to pay the sale price, the deposit made by him shall be forfeited by the Authorised officer without any notice and property shall forthwith be put up for sale again. **j) For Immovables :** For sale proceeds of **Rs. 50.00 Lakhs (Rupees Fifty Lakhs Only)** and above, the successful bidder will have to deduct **TDS at the rate 1%** on the sale proceeds and submit the original receipt of TDS certificate to the Bank. **k)** All charges for conveyance, stamp duty/GST registration charges etc., as applicable shall be borne by the successful bidder only. **l)** There is no encumbrance in the property to the knowledge of the bank. Successful Bidder is liable to pay all society dues, municipal taxes / panchayat taxes / electricity/ water charges / other charges, duties and taxes whatsoever, including outstanding, if any, in respect of and/or affecting the subject property. **m)** Authorised Officer reserves the right to postphone/cancel or very the terms and conditions of the e-auction without assigning any reason thereof. **n)** In case there are bidders who do not have access to the internet but interested in participating the e-auction, they can approach oncerned Kolar ARM Branch, who, as a facilitating centre, shall make necessary arrangements.
o) For further details contact **DIVISIONAL MANAGER, KOLAR ARM BRANCH,CANARA BANK, Phone No. 9760205654 / 08152227898, email:cb7898@canarabank.com (or): or the service provider (https://baanknet.com), (Contact No. 7046612345 / 6354910172 / 8291220220 / 9892219848 / 8160205051, Email: support.baanknet@psballiance.com /**

Special Instruction/Caution

Bidding in the last minutes/seconds should be avoided by the bidders in their own interest. Neither Canara Bank nor the Service Provider will be responsible for any lapses/ failure (Internet failure, Power failure, etc.) on the part of the bidder or vendor in such cases. In order to ward off such contingent situation, bidders are requested to make all the necessary arrangements/alternatives such as back –up, power supply and whatever else required so that they are able to circumvent such situation and are able to participate in the auction successfully.

Date : 28.01.2026, Place : Kolar **Sd/-Authorised Officer, Canara Bank**

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Website: https://karnatakabank.com
CIN: L85110KA1924PLC001128

E-AUCTION
NOTICE OF SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES ON 04.03.2026

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) / Rule 9 (1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Constructive Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer (details mentioned below), will be sold on **"As is where is"and "As is what is" basis on 04.03.2026** at the below mentioned timings for recovery of dues with further interest and cost thereon due to the **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

The details are as under: Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposits details are as under & the Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before **03.03.2026 at 4.00 pm** through online payment to the Account No. details of which are given below or by way of DD favouring **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

Sl. No.	Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors/ Co-Obligants and Loan Account No.	Balance O/S Rs. Future Interest From + Costs	Possession Date Possession Type	Description of the Property/ies	Reserve Price (Rs.)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs.	Auction Time	Incremental Value of the Bid	Branch Name & Account Details for Remitting EMD/ IFSC Code
1	**(1) Mr.Mohan R.P,** S/o Mr.Rajegowda, **(2) Mrs.Kavitha B.S,** W/o Mr.Mohan R.P, **Both are addressed at:** H.No.18, Hillview, Residence Layout, Turahalli, Subramanyapura Post, Uttarahalli, Bengaluru-560061, **(3) Mrs. Shashikala R.P,** W/o Mr.M Raju, No.163/101, 1st Main, 1st Cross, Vinoba Colony, Avalahalli Main Road, Bengaluru-560061. **Loan A/c No.: TL A/c No. 9227001600008401**	**Rs.35,66,531.26 [Rupees Thirty Five Lakh Sixty Six Thousand Five Hundred Thirty One and Paise Twenty Six Only** **24.01.2026**	**28.11.2025** **Constructive**	All that part and parcel of Residential Property bearing **Site No.18, Hill View Garden Residence Layout, measuring 1200 sq ft** (i.e. East to West: 40 feet and North to South: 30 feet) carved out of **residentially converted Sy.Nos 51/1, 2, 3, 4, & 5** situated at Thurahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru-560061 belonging to **Mr.Mohan R.P.** **Boundaries of Property as per Document: East :** 30 feet Road, **West :** Site No.22, **North:** Site No.19, **South:** Site No.17. **Property Location:12.893408,77.536868**	**Rs. 1,25,31,000/- (Rupees One Crore Twenty Five Lakh Thirty One Thousand Only)**	**Rs. 12,53,100/- (Rupees Twelve Lakh Fifty Three Thousand One Hundred Only)**	**10.00 AM to 10.15 AM**	**Rs. 1,00,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru – J P Nagar 7th Phase A/c No: 9223500200004101 IFSC: KARB0000922**

(The borrower's/mortgagor's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset).
(This Notice shall also serve as Notice under Sub Rule (6) of Rule (8)Sub Rule (1) of Rule (9) of Security Interest Enforcement Rules-2002 to the Borrower/Guarantors).
For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer to link in Karnataka Bank's Website i.e. https://karnatakabank.com under the head "Regulatory and others".
The E-auction will be conducted through portal www.auctionbazaar.com on **04.03.2026** at above mentioned time with unlimited extension of 05 minutes. The intending bidder is required to register their name at **www.auctionbazaar.com** and get the user Id and password free of cost and get training i.e. online training on E-auction (tentatively on **03.03.2026**) from **M/s Auction Bazaar, 7-1-28/1/A/1 Park Avenue 1, Ameerpet, Begumpet, Hyderabad, Secunderbad, Telangana, India, 500016, E-mail : disposal.karnataka@auctionbazaar.com.**

Date : 30.01.2026
Place: Bengaluru
Sd/- Assistant General Manager & Authorised Officer, Karnataka Bank Ltd.

6 people were killed when a car fell into a ravine in Pakistan's Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, police said

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Epstein's partner presented girl to Trump, newly-released files reveal

Internal FBI memo says Maxwell told Trump at a NY party that victim was 'available' to him

WASHINGTON

A fresh cache of files released on Friday related to the investigation into the late convicted sex offender Jeffrey Epstein contains documents that refer to numerous high-profile figures, including Donald Trump.

One FBI memo from an Epstein victim contained allegations that Ghislaine Maxwell once "presented" her to Trump at a party in New York and later made clear to Trump that she was "available," telling her, "Oh I think he likes you. Aren't you lucky. This is great," according to the document. The woman told federal investigators that "nothing happened" between her and Trump.

The records have thousands of references to Trump, including emails in which Epstein and others shared news articles about him, commented on his policies or politics, or gossiped about him and his family.

US Deputy Attorney General Todd Blanche speaks at a news conference to announce an update on the Epstein files at the Department of Justice on Friday | AFP

The files also included an FBI-compiled list of sexual assault allegations related to Trump—many of them involving anonymous callers and unverified tips.

The allegations, some second-hand, were sent to the FBI's National Threat Operations Center, which receives information by phone and electronically.

The document suggests that investigators followed up on a number of the tips. Some were deemed to lack credibility.

Trump has long denied any wrongdoing related to Epstein. The Justice Department said in a statement accompanying Friday's file dump: "Some of the documents contain untrue and sensationalist claims against President Trump that were submitted to the FBI right before the 2020 election. To be clear, the claims are unfounded and false."

Emails show that Epstein and businessman Lutnick—currently Trump's commerce secretary—made plans in December 2012 to lunch on Epstein's Caribbean island.

"We are heading towards you from St Thomas" Lutnick's wife wrote to Epstein's secretary, asking where they should anchor.

The documents show that Steve Bannon, a conservative activist who served as Trump's White House strategist earlier in the president's first term, bantered over politics with the financier, discussed get-togethers with him over breakfast, lunch or dinner and, on March 29, 2019, asked Epstein if he could supply his plane to pick him up in Rome. *Agencies*

US approves major new arms sales to Israel, Saudi Arabia

WASHINGTON

THE Trump administration has approved a massive new series of arms sales to Israel totaling $6.67 billion and to Saudi Arabia worth $9 billion.

The State Department announced the sales to America's allies in the Middle East late Friday as tensions rise in the region over the possibility of US military strikes on Iran.

They were made public after the department notified Congress of its approval of the sales earlier Friday.

The sales also come as President Donald Trump pushes ahead with his ceasefire plan for Gaza that is intended to end the Israel-Hamas conflict and reconstruct the Palestinian territory after two years of war left it devastated, with tens of thousands dead.

While the ceasefire has largely held, big challenges await in its next phases, including the deployment of an international security force to supervise the deal and the difficult process of disarming Hamas.

The Saudi sale is for 730 Patriot missiles and related equipment that "will support the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by improving the security of a Major non-NATO Ally that is a force for political stability and economic progress in the Gulf Region," the department said.

"This enhanced capability will protect land forces of Saudi Arabia, the United States, and local allies and will significantly improve Saudi Arabia's contribution" to the integrated air and missile defense system in the region, it said.

It was announced after Saudi Defense Minister Khalid bin Salman met with top Trump administration officials like Secretary of State Marco Rubio and Defense Secretary Pete Hegseth. The sales to Israel are split into four separate packages, including one for 30 Apache attack helicopters and related equipment and weapons, with another for 3,250 light tactical vehicles.

The Apache helicopters, which will be equipped with rocket launchers and advanced targeting gear, are the biggest part of the total package, coming to $3.8 billion, according to the State Department. *AP*

Senate passes govt funding deal

The Senate voted on Friday to fund most of the government through the end of September while carving out a temporary extension for Homeland Security funding, giving Congress two weeks to debate new restrictions on federal immigration raids across the country. With a weekend shutdown looming, President Donald Trump struck a spending deal with Senate Democrats on Thursday in the wake of the deaths of two protesters at the hands of federal agents in Minneapolis

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BETWEEN: Sri.G.Mahesh ...PLAINTIFF
AND: Nanjemariyappa and others ... **DEFENDANTS**

SUMMONS/NOTICE TO DEFENDANT No.9,11,13

9. Gowramma, D/o late Malleshaiah, Aged about 58 years, R/at Bettahalsoor Village Bettahalsoor Post, Jala Hobli, Bangalore-562157. **11. Mangala,** D/o late Malleshaiah, Aged about 60 years, R/at Bettahalsoor Village, Bettahalsoor Post, Jala Hobli, Bangalore-562157. **13.Bhagya,** D/o late Someshaiah, Aged about 56 years, R/at Bettahalsoor Village, Bettahalsoor Post, Jala Hobli, Bangalore-562157. **14. Jagadamba,** D/o late Someshaiah, Aged about 58 years, R/at Bettahalsoor Village, Bettahalsoor Post, Jala Hobli, Bangalore-562157.

Whereas the plaintiff has instituted the above suit for partition and separate possession against the defendants and other consequential relief, hence the defendant No.9,11, 13 and 14 are the necessary parties to appear to this suit, hence you are hereby requested to appear before this Hon'ble Court on **02-02-2026** at about 11:00 A.M either in person or through advocate, who can answer all material facts pertaining to the plaint failing, which the matter will be heard and determined in your absence placing you as ex-parte.

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MEENAKSHI .M, Advocate
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PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public is hereby informed that my client **1) Smt. SINDHU B.L.** W/o. Rakesh G.H. and **2) Sri. RAKESH G.H.** S/o. Honnashamaiah G.N. have proposed to purchase the Schedule property from its owner i.e., Sri. Ravinder Bhookya S/o. Chandraiah Bhookya.

Any person/s having any claims or objections in respect of the Schedule property proposed to purchase by my clients, may lodge their claims/objections within **Seven (7) days** from the date of publication of this notice with supporting attested documents with the undersigned, failing which, my client shall proceed to complete the sale transaction and no claim shall be entertained thereafter.

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By way of this notice, is hereby notifying the General Public Banks/NBFC/money lenders/ public--private institutions/ any legal person/s all that, our client **Sri. A.AnandaKumar** Aged about 46 years, S/o R.AshwathReddy, R/at. No.36,1st main,5th Cross,Suncity Layout, Behind VVPS School, Singanayakanahalli, Yelahanka Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bangalore North -560 064 **is** willing to purchase the following schedule property from **Sri.Manjunath P Reddy,** Aged about 50 Years, s/o Venkatareddy. R/at No1A,Vimoksha,8th cross, Lakshmipura Main Road, Abbigere, Bangalore-560090 through **Sale deed**, in this regard all the legal formalities are at the conclusion stage. If any person/s third party/s has any type of objections/claims/ liabilities, attachments, agreements or any manner of right, title or interest over the Schedule Property may lodge their objections/ claims, with all supporting documents/evidence to the under singed Advocate within 7 (Seven) days from the date of this publication. Failing which our clients shall proceed with the sale transaction to purchase the Schedule Property from said **Sri.Manjunath P Reddy,** and any right that may arise later will not be entertained, as treating that there are no objections/claims and it shall not be binding on our clients.

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Sl. No.	Loan Account No. & Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrowers	Loan Amount	Date of Demand Notice & Amount Outstanding
1.	**Sanction No. / Loan No. TL01SBC0000060743** **1.M/s. Sri Lakshmi Venkateswara Suppliers (Borrower)** Opp. Krishna Milk Dairy, No. 326/1, TVS Road, Ballur Viilage, Attibele, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore - 560 099. **2. Mr. Manjunath (Co Borrower)** **3. Mrs. Uma B (Co Borrower)** **Both residing at :** No. 107 GF, Queen Velly Apartment, Anekal Road, Ballur, Attibele, Bangalore - 562 107.	**Rs. 83,77,258/-**	**13.01.2026 & Rs. 84,50,391/- as on 13.01.2026** with further interest thereon. **NPA Date : 06.12.2025**

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY: ITEM No.1 : All that piece and Parcel of the Property bearing Site No. 1, Property no.648/206/1, Khaneshumari no.206, Janjaru no.648, New Digital Property no.15020010120030069O, Measuring east to West 17+52/2 feet, North to South 37+52/2 feet, in all totally measuring 1535 sq feet., formed in Sy.No.183/1, vide conversion order bearing No.ALN.A.L.N.SR.233/1988-89, dated 17.06.1989 and Order No.ALN.CR 61/1992-93 dated 20.02.1992, situated at Ballur Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, presently within the limits of Ballur Village Panchayath.

ITEM No.2: All that piece and Parcel of the Property bearing Site No.2, Property no.648/206/2, Khaneshumari no.206, Janjaru no.649, New Digital Property no.150200101200300691, Measuring east to West 30 feet, North to South (37+38)/2feet, in all totally measuring 1110.sq feet., formed in Sy.No.183/1, vide conversion order bearing No.ALN.A.L.N.SR.233/1988-89, dated 17.06.1989 and Order No.ALN.CR 61/1992-93 dated 20.02.1992, situated at Ballur Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, presently within the limits of Ballur Village Panchayath.

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A man carries the body of a person killed in an Israeli strike in Khan Younis | AFP

Several children among 30 killed in multiple Israeli strikes on Gaza

DEIR AL-BALAH

HOSPITALS in Gaza said Israeli strikes killed at least 30 Palestinians including several children on Saturday, one of the highest tolls since the October ceasefire, a day after Israel accused Hamas of new truce violations. The strikes hit locations throughout Gaza, including an apartment building in Gaza City and a tent camp in Khan Younis, said officials at hospitals that received the bodies.

The casualties included two women and six children from two different families. Another airstrike hit a police station in Gaza City, killing at least 14 and wounding others, Shifa Hospital director Mohamed Abu Selmiya said.

The strikes came a day before the Rafah crossing along the border with Egypt is set to open in Gaza's southernmost city. All of the territory's border crossings—the rest are with Israel—have been closed throughout almost the entire war that began in 2023.

Palestinians see Rafah as a lifeline for tens of thousands needing treatment outside the territory, where the majority of medical infrastructure has been destroyed. The crossing's opening, limited at first, will mark the first major step in the second phase of the US-brokered ceasefire that took effect on October 10.

Other challenging issues include demilitarising the strip after nearly two decades of Hamas rule and installing a new government to oversee reconstruction.

Egypt, one of the ceasefire mediators, in a statement condemned the Israeli strikes in the "strongest terms" and warned that they represent "a direct threat to the political course" of the truce.

"We don't know if we're at war or peace"

Nasser Hospital said the strike on the tent camp in Khan Younis caused a fire, killing seven, including a father, his three children and three grandchildren.

Atallah Abu Hadaiyed said he had just finished praying when the explosion struck. "We came running and found my cousins lying here and there, with fire raging. We don't know if we're at war or at peace, or what. Where is the truce? Where is the ceasefire they talked about?"he said, as people inspected ruins including a bloodied mattress. *AP*

70 terrorists, 10 security personnel killed in Pak

KARACHI

AT least 70 terrorists, some of them from the BLA, were killed after they carried out attacks on security forces, law enforcement agencies and civilians at 12 different locations in Pakistan's Balochistan province, officials said Saturday.

Sources in the security forces put the number of terrorists killed to 108, however, Balochistan Chief Minister Sarfaraz Bugti, in a tweet, said 70 terrorists have been killed so far and the operations that started on Friday night are still ongoing on Saturday evening. A federal minister said terrorists from the Balochistan Liberation Army (BLA) killed civilians in Gwadar.

Ten security personnel were also killed during the operations that came after 41 terrorists were killed in two different counter-terror measures in Panjgur and Harnai of the province on Thursday and Friday.

Shahid Rind, the spokesperson for the Balochistan government, said that the attacks were carried out at different locations, including at Quetta, Gwadar, Makram, Hub, Chaman, Naseerabad, in the province.

"The attacks targetted police, frontier corps and civilians at different locations between Friday and Saturday night," Rind said on telephone.

Federal Information Minister Ataullah Tarar confirmed on *Geo News* channel the death of 10 security personnel in the operations but said when the terrorists attacked, the forces were alert and thwarted the attacks successfully. *PTI*

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New inflation series reduces base-year bias

MoSPI secretary Garg says methodologies for handling missing prices, house rent and elementary indices have been refined

THE new series of Consumer Price Index (CPI), used for measuring retail inflation, is going live from February. The Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) announced the changes to the composition of inflation basket, sharply reducing the weight of food and beverages — from 54% to 37% — often blamed for volatility in headline inflation. **Dipak Mondal** spoke to **Saurabh Garg**, Secretary, MoSPI, about the upcoming changes to CPI and GDP measurement. **Excerpts**:

The new base years for inflation and GDP come into force in February. What preparations are underway?

MoSPI is undertaking extensive preparatory work to ensure a smooth rollout of the revised CPI series. The exercise is being guided by an Expert Group examining all methodological and operational aspects. Three discussion papers — on the treatment of PDS items and housing index methodology — were released for public feedback, and the suggestions received have been incorporated.

Field staff and supervisors have been trained on the revised basket and procedures. Trial runs and consistency checks are underway to ensure data accuracy. The e-Sankhyiki portal is being updated to ensure seamless data release on February 12.

For GDP, an advisory committee with representatives from academia, research institutes, and governments has held around 40 meetings through five sub-committees to finalise methodology and integrate new data sources. Their reports are being prepared. An updated Sources and Methods document will be released in July/August 2026. MoSPI has also conducted pre-release workshops in Mumbai and Delhi, with another scheduled in Chennai, alongside discussion papers to familiarise users with the changes.

Apart from the base years, what major changes will we see in CPI and GDP measurement?

In CPI, based on the HCES 2023-24, the coverage of rural and urban markets has expanded by about 25% since 2012. Methodologies for handling missing prices, house rent, electricity, and elementary indices have been refined. Rural housing is now included, while employer-provided housing is excluded to avoid distortions. Prices of centrally administered items such as rail fares, fuel, LPG, CNG/PNG, and postal charges will be compiled centrally using administrative data. Online data will be used for telecom charges, OTT services, and airfares, and e-commerce prices will be tracked in 12 large cities through dedicated online markets. The CPI will also adopt the UNSD's COICOP 2018 classification to improve global comparability.

For GDP, with the base year shifting to 2022-23, annual data from the Survey of Unincorporated Enterprises and the PLFS will replace the older benchmark-indicator method for estimating the household sector. Double deflation will be introduced in manufacturing and agriculture with more granular deflators elsewhere. Supply Use Tables will be integrated with the national accounts framework to reduce discrepancies. Greater use will be made of MCA MGT-7 data, along with GST, PFMS, and e-Vahan databases, improving sectoral coverage and reducing reliance on proxies.

How has the inflation basket changed? Will MoSPI publish core inflation?

The CPI basket now includes 358 weighted items, up from 299 earlier. Goods items have increased from 259 to 308 and services from 40 to 50, reflecting changing consumption patterns. New inclusions include rural house rent, OTT services, international air travel, and newer energy sources such as CNG and PNG. Items have also been regrouped to align with COICOP 2018.

MoSPI will not publish core and non-core inflation. Instead, it will release granular item-level data and weights, allowing users, including the RBI, to construct their own measures.

What changes improve measurement of services inflation?

The number of service items has risen to 50 in line with HCES findings. Rural house rent has been included for the first time, and the housing sample size has been expanded in both rural and urban areas. This is expected to provide a more accurate picture of rent inflation faced by households.

Can CPI move to a chain-weighted method like the proposed IIP changes?

A chain-weighted CPI would require annual consumption surveys, which are not planned. However, the new CPI uses the Jevons index, a chain-price method that links monthly price changes. This reduces base-year bias and improves handling of missing prices and item replacement, aligning with IMF best practices.

The IMF has flagged several issues with the way GDP is calculated. How many of those concerns will be addressed with the new series?

The IMF had raised concerns about the continued use of the 2011-12 base year, the reliance on single deflation, the sizeable gap between GDP estimates from the production and expenditure approaches, and the use of proxy indicators to measure the household sector. These concerns are being addressed in the new series. The base year will be updated to 2022-23. Single deflation has been done away with and replaced by double deflation in key sectors and single extrapolation elsewhere. The gap between production and expenditure estimates will be reduced through integration of the National Accounts Framework with the Supply Use Table framework. The measurement of the household sector will also improve with the use of annual survey data instead of proxy indicators.

How is MoSPI ensuring MCA data is reliable for GDP estimation?

Around 85-90% of GVA for companies is derived directly from filed financial returns, with only a small portion estimated indirectly. Shell companies are regularly struck off by the Registrar of Companies. GST data will also be used to validate the base of active companies and remove inactive entities.

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GLOBAL UNCERTAINTY GIVES SWADESHI A BOOST

GURBIR SINGH

SWADESHI, in its original Gandhian meaning, referred to back-to-basics self-reliance as a way of life in preference to western, imported technology and goods. Over time, it was widened to mean 'import substitution' as part of Nehruvian Socialism. Since 2014, the Narendra Modi government has rechristened it many times over — the 'Make-in-India' policy, Atmanirbhar Bharat' and such like.

No one can fault the basic concept of developing the country's manufacturing base. It generates wealth and jobs locally, and makes us less dependent on expensive imports. In actual practice though, it has been a fits-and-start policy rather than consistent commitment. In more recent days, after the withering 50% tariffs imposed by the Donald Trump regime, there have been calls once again to revive the 'Swadeshi' campaign — calls to make local, and buy local. As an ideology, 'Swadeshi' is back on the table as volatile global events have made trade terms unpredictable, and international markets increasingly protective.

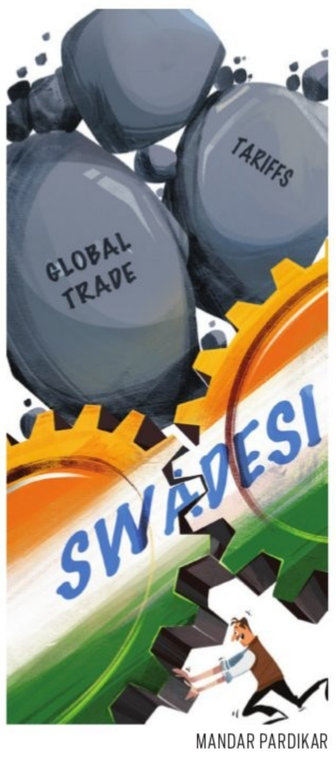
Articulating this new turn, the Economic Survey released on Thursday says, "In such circumstances, Swadeshi becomes a defensive as well as offensive policy lever: a means to ensure continuity of production in the face of external shocks, and a pathway to build enduring national capabilities that reinforce economic sovereignty. The policy question is no longer whether the state should encourage Swadeshi, but how it should do so…."

Penned by the Chief Economic Adviser (CEA) V Anantha Nageswaran, the policy statement further fine tunes 'Swadeshi' to say 'import substitution' need not be adopted for the sake of it, in sectors where it is cheaper to import and sources are multiple. On the flip side, protection of industries should not become an excuse for inefficiency and complacency.

The document finally suggests a three-phase way forward to achieve the goal of Viksit Bharat: In the short term, import substitution will replace imported goods with local production; in the medium-term, develop 'strategic resilience' — the broader capability of the economy to withstand external shocks; and finally the long term aim of 'Strategic Indispensability' so we fit into the global system so snugly that 'buying Indian' is not a choice but a necessity.

Make In India

Over the last 12 years, the performance of 'Swadeshi' has not been anything to write home about. Launched with much fanfare, the Make-in-India policy aimed at turning India into a manufacturing hub on the back of a steady flow of foreign and domestic investment. While one did see foreign direct investment (FDI) surge with



MANDAR PARDIKAR

the country receiving $440 billion in the 2014-21 period, the core target of increasing manufacturing's share in GDP to 25% remained elusive. In fact, manufacturing hit a low of 15.9% in 2023-24 compared to 16.7% in 2013-14.

In job creation, the campaign could not touch the target of creating a 100 million jobs. Despite the government's production-linked incentive (PLI) scheme, which offered companies cash returns or tax breaks based on they meeting certain investment and production targets, the private companies have not been ramping up any significant investment in India. The private corporate sector has not only failed to add jobs or new investment, but it has been averagely functioning at about 75% of capacity. The Centre of Monitoring Indian Economy's (CMIE) figures reveal fresh private investment in new projects has dipped for 3 years consecutively from ₹32.4 lakh crore in 2022-23 to ₹31.7 lakh crore in 2023-24, and further to ₹30 lakh crore in 2024-25.

Weak global demand and application of AI has seen the Indian IT sector, earlier credited with robust growth and job creation, stagnate in recent months. As of January 2026, the top five Indian IT firms added a net of 17 employees over a nine-month period.

Atmanirbhar Bharat

The term Atmanirbhar Bharat or Atmanirbharta (self-reliance) was first used in 2020 when the Covid-19 stimulus packages were announced. While it came as a replacement for the flagging Make-in-India campaign, the focus was on defense. In August 2020, the defense ministry took off 101 arms-related items from the 'import list' and reserved it for domestic production.

Speaking at a Defence Expo in 2022 in Gandhinagar, Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh said the government had set a target of $22 billion (₹1.76 lakh crore) for defence production by 2025, including $5 billion in exports. Quoting a Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI) report of 2021, he said the world's military spending had crossed $2 trillion for the first time, and it was time India cashed in on the rising demand for arms.

By 2024-25, India recorded its highest-ever domestic defence production of ₹1.54 lakh crore in FY 2024-25, achieving 80-85% of the target on production and exports. Dependence on foreign arms fell by 9.3% between 2015-19 and 2020-24.

However, India still remains the world's largest defense importer with an annual purchase exceeding $15 billion. Both Russia and France account for 36% each of this import pie.

These figures hide the fact that for high tech arms, the country has not shrugged off its foreign dependence. For instance, India's top line 4.5-generation fighter jets are Rafales, manufactured by Dassault of France, while reliance on air defense shields against air attacks, and ballistic missiles is tied to the Russian-made S-400 Triumf surface-to-air systems.

There is a positive swing, though. Swadeshi is seeing a new urgency. The hostile global environment, along with hardening trade terms, may now result in better ground results.

Renault wants India to be its top five markets in world

ARSHAD KHAN @ Chennai

FRENCH carmaker Renault aims to rank India among its top five global markets, ramping up its presence in the world's third-largest passenger vehicle (PV) market with fresh models. On January 26, Renault reintroduced the highly anticipated mid-size SUV Duster, the first product under Renault International Gameplan 2027 in India, and it plans new launches annually to sustain the momentum.

"At one point in time, India used to be one of the top 3 or top 5 markets for the group. It went down to 10th or 12th position. Given the importance of the Indian market for the group, India should be among the top five," Bruno Vanel, Global Product Lead at Renault Brand told *TNIE*. He said the rollout of the new CMF-B modular platform is important as it will underpin new models in the B and C segments.

"The 70-80% of production from India will be served in the domestic market. At about 4.3 million, India is the third-largest PV market in the world. It will become a 6 million market soon. So the first thing will be to produce cars in India for India and then to develop it for markets like Africa, the Gulf and Latin America," he said.

Renault is also eyeing a market share of 3-5% in the Indian PV market by 2030. Renault brand CEO and Chief Growth Officer Fabrice Cambolive said they will increase number of models in India because the market is big and there are a lot of growing segments.

After peaking in FY17 with sales of 1,35,123 units and nearly 4% market share, Renault India struggled to keep pace with rivals as its market share came down to below 1%. But the company is now making India central to its global growth strategy, investing ₹5,400 crore to revive its presence. Renault has already taken full control of Renault-Nissan Automotive India Pvt Ltd, turning the Chennai facility into a wholly-owned hub to drive future launches.

Kickers may set up footwear plant in India

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Chennai

IN a first major boost for India's manufacturing sector after the signing of India-EU FTA on Tuesday, the country's leading manufacturer Kothari Industrial Corporation Ltd (KICL) said it is in talks with French footwear brand Kickers to set up plants and make footwear. The reduction of tariff in the proposed FTA from 17% to 0% on footwear export from India to China has initiated the discussion.

The KICL received licence to make Kickers footwear in 2024. The KICL has opened four shops across India, including in Delhi and Chennai. The fifth shop will be opened in Moti Bagh area of New Delhi.

Tech job mkt reports first hiring uptick in six months

PADMINI DHRUVARAJ @ Bengaluru

INDIA'S technology job market has shown its first clear sign of improvement after nearly six months of subdued hiring activity, according to a new report by Xpheno.

The report titled Active Tech Jobs Outlook — India for February 2026 shows that active tech job openings rose by 8% month-on-month to 109,000 in February. This marks the first statistically significant increase since August 2025.

Despite the rise, overall hiring levels remain below last year. The report notes that active tech job volumes are still 18% lower than in February 2025, indicating that the sector has not yet entered a full recovery phase.

One of the most notable changes in February is the sharp rise in full-time remote roles. According to the report, remote tech job openings increased by 67% compared with January, reaching 15,000 positions. In contrast, full-time hybrid roles fell by 24% month on month. The report highlights changing employer strategies around work formats, especially as several large technology firms continue to push for full-time work from office arrangements.

JSW Steel Odisha marks 77th Republic Day with patriotic fervour

JSW Steel's Odisha Mining Division celebrated the 77th Republic Day with great patriotic zeal and enthusiasm across its operational locations in the state. Flag hoisting was the main highlight, along with a series of cultural programmes organised. At Narayanposhi Mines, the National Flag was jointly unfurled by Prabodha Acharya, Chief Sustainability Officer, JSW Group, and Mr. Prasanna Panda, Odisha Business Head, JSW Steel – Odisha Mining Division. Odisha Business Head Panda extended warm Republic Day greetings to all employees and stakeholders. He underscored the organisation's strong commitment to community welfare. He informed the gathering that a modern 100-bed hospital is being constructed in Koida

Airbus secures historic order for India's first H175 and two ACH160s

Airbus Corporate Helicopters has signed an order for two ACH160 helicopters and one H175 with a private Indian customer. The operator is an existing ACH160 customer and will become India's first H175 customer. Marking the introduction of the super-medium twin-engine helicopter into the Indian civil market, the H175 helicopter will come in a 16-seat configuration with delivery scheduled for 2026. The two ACH160 helicopters will be exclusively configured as per customer's requirements and will be delivered in 2027. The ACH160 represents an impressive combination of power and elegance. Backed by cutting-edge technology, the ACH160 allows business leaders to bridge time and reach, enabling impactful decisions where it matters, when it matters.

Business & Beyond

HPCL signs a long-term LNG sale and purchase agreement with ADNOC Gas

Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL), a Maharatna Public Sector Enterprise, one of India's largest integrated oil refining and marketing company, has signed a Sale Purchase Agreement (SPA) with Abu Dhabi Gas Liquefaction Company (ALNG), a subsidiary of ADNOC Gas, for procurement of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) for a 10-year term. ADNOC Gas is a world-class, large-scale integrated gas processing and sales company operating across the gas value chain. Under the terms of this SPA, HPCL will receive LNG at it's 5 Million Tonne per annum LNG Regasification Terminal at Chhara, Gujarat which was dedicated to the nation by Prime Minister in September 2025. The Supplies under this agreement will support HPCL in meeting the requirements of its refineries, City Gas Distribution (CGD) Network and Gas demand across key sectors, such as, Fertilizers, Power and Petrochemicals etc.

Hiranandani unveils ₹105 crore Parkville Project in Oragadam

Hiranandani Communities HAS announced the launch of Parkville, a new residential tower within its expansive 360-acre Hiranandani Parks township located in Oragadam, Chennai. Recently receiving RERA approval, Parkville is a major addition to one of South India's most integrated and rapidly developing townships. The tower presents thoughtfully designed Smart FIT 2-BHK apartments tailored for modern families, first-time homebuyers, and value-conscious investors. Parkville is a single 13-floor tower with stilt parking, comprising 180 units. Each 2-BHK home offers a carpet area of approximately 684 square feet.

Suzlon secures its 1st 248.5 MW wind order from ArcelorMittal

Suzlon Group has announced that it has secured a 248.85 MW wind energy order from ArcelorMittal Group through its Renewable Energy entity in India. This order is part of the 550 MW hybrid project in Gujarat where the wind order has been awarded to Suzlon for captive use for ArcelorMittal Nippon steel facilities in India. Suzlon continues to be the largest wind player in Gujarat with 4.5 GW of installed capacity base and growing. This marks Suzlon's fourth major wind order for decarbonizing steel production, taking its contribution to nearly 1,156 MW of green steel capacity in India.

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PUBLIC NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY (Sale Through E-Auction Only)

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) and 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to **IDBI Bank Limited** (Secured Creditor), the constructive/Physical Possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of IDBI Bank Limited (Secured Creditor), will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on **04th March 2026** for recovery of amount due to **IDBI Bank Limited** (Secured Creditor) for the below mentioned Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s)/Mortgagors.

Date and Time of Auction : 04th March 2026 from 10:30 AM to 1.00 PM
Last date of online submission of Bid: **03rd March 2026 before 04:00 PM.**
EMD Payment to be made into IDBI A/c No: 00834915010026; IFSC CODE: IBKL0000008 with relevant Bid Documents to reach us on or before : 03rd February 2026 before 04:00 PM to IDBI Bank Limited, Retail Recovery, 3rd Floor, No.58, IDBI House, Mission Road, Bengaluru-560027.
Minimum Bid increment: **Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only).**

(1) Name & Address of the Borrower: Miss.Malini Menon, Flat No.205, Milestone Caildad Apartment Kammanahally village, Bannerghatta road ,Begur hobli, Bangalore South Taluk-560099.

Demand Notice: 25.08.2025 **Symbolic Possession Notice: 28.11.2025**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.61,88,736.00 (Rupees Sixty One Lakh Eighty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty Six Only) due as on 09.07.2025 together with further interest and charges thereon with effect from 10-07-2025. (less further payments , if any).

Property details: SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY: All that vacant site bearing nos.38 & 39 in the lay out identified as Kammanahally village Bannerghatta road layout formed by the central excise house building cooperative society limited, Bangalore situated at Kammanahally Village Bannerghatta Road , Begur Hobli, Bangalore south Taluk carved out of survey numbers 126/1,126/2,126/3,126/3-1,127,128/2,3 and 4 and 131/3 presently within BRUHATH Bangalore Mahanagara Palike ward No.192-circle Begur having Katha no.143/493/38 & 144/494/39 (amalgamated Katha no.143/493/38,39) Bangalore Measuring East to West ;80.6 Feet and north to South;100 feet in all 8060 Sqft within the boundary East by; Layout Road; West by; Property/site bearing no.24 & 25; North by; Property /site beraing no.40 and South by; Property/site bearing no.37.

SCHEDULE B PROPERTY: Land equivalent to 464.63 Sqft(appx) undivided share,right,title, interest and ownership in schedule A property.

SCHEDULE C PROPERTY : All that residential apartment in Second floor bearing apartment no.205 in the proposed Milestone Caildad apartment to be built at the cost of the purchaser in schedule A property measuring 1375sft of super built area togeteher with proportionate share in common areas , passages,lobbies,stair cases and other areas of common use and with one covered car parking in the stilt floor and the apartment is bounded by; On or towards East by; Open space at Milestone Calidad On or towards West by; corridor space at Milestone Calidad On or towards North by; apartment no 204 at Milestone Calidad On or towards South by; Open space at Milestone Calidad Together with all buildings and structures constructed/erected thereon and/or to be constructed/erected thereon.

Reserve Price: Rs.65,20,000/- **EMD: Rs.6,52,000/-**

(2) Name & Address of the Borrower: Mr Amith H M/Smt Sumedha Neelakantan, E-1202 in Block Wing-1, "PRIDE ENCHANTA-PHASE-II, Mysore Road, Ward No.158, Bengaluru 560026

Demand Notice: 26.07.2025 **Symbolic Possession Notice: 27.11.2025**

Outstanding Amount: Rs. 1,13,20,118.00 (Rupees One Crore Thirteen Lakh Twenty Thousand One Hundred Eighteen Only) as on 08/06/2025 together with further interest and charges thereon with effect from 10-07-2025. (less further payments , if any).

Property details: All that piece and parcel of residentially converted land bearing BBMP Municipal No.320, PID No.41-1-320, Mysore Road, Ward No.158, Bengaluru 560026, (earlier Sy. No. 11/2, Deevitigeramanahalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk), measuring total extent of about 18,384 Sq.Mtrs. (1,97,885 sq.ft.) now coming within the jurisdiction of the BBMP and bounded on the: East by: Sy.No.7 of Deevitigeramanahalli Village, West by: Road followed by Sy.No.12 of Deevitigeramanahalli Village; North by: Sy.No.11/1 Deevitigeramanahalli Village and Bengaluru Mysore Highway; South by: Sy.No.10 of Deevitigeramanahalli Village.

SCHEDULE 'B' RESIDENTIAL APARTMENT: RESIDENTIAL APARTMENT bearing No. E-1202 in Block Wing-1 on the Twelfth Floor in the residential complex known as "PRIDE ENCHANTA-PHASE-II" constructed on the Schedule Property measuring about 125.91 Sq.Mts (1355.24 sq.ft) of carpet area together with the exclusive right to use and enjoy the internal balconies area of 10.46 Sq. Mts. (112.63 sq.ft) lying appurtenant thereto consisting of THREE Bed Rooms and the exclusive right to use and enjoy One Covered Car Parking Space in the basement ground floor with RCC roofing and built in accordance with the specifications as agreed to between the LAND OWNER /VENDOR, the DEVELOPER/PROMOTER and the PURCHAER/ALLOTTEE under the terms and conditions of the Agreement to sell dated 18.02.2021 entered into between them.

SCHEDULE - C: RIGHTS & OBLIGATIONS OF THE PURCHASER/S /ALLOTTEE/S. (Details of the rights to the common passages, amenities and services conferred on the Purchaser/s/Allottee/s herein and the other Purchaser/s/Allottee/s of the Residential apartments in "PRIDE ENCHANTA").

Reserve Price: Rs.1,62,00,000/- **EMD: Rs.16,20,000/-**

(3) Name & Address of the Borrower: Mr. Karthic Manikandan/ Smt Mamatha Kumari Bandam.

Demand Notice: 26.07.2025 **Symbolic Possession Notice: 28.11.2025**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.42,91,153.47/- (Rupees Fourty Two Lakh Ninety One Thousand One Hundred Fifty Three and Paise Fourty Seven Only) plus further interest and charges as on 08/06/2025 together with further interest and charges thereon with effect from 09-06-2025. (less further payments , if any).

Property details: SCHEDULE A PROPERTY: (Description of the entire property) All the part and parcel of the immovable property bearing Old Corporation Nos. 18,19,20,later assigned and clubbed corporation No. 20th " A" Main Road,Venkateswara Layout,, Jaibheema Nagar,Old Ward No 65, Bangalore measuring 8860 sq ft and bounded on the East by: Road, site No.21 and 22; West by: Maruri Nagar Main Road; South by: Property of Krishna Reddy belongs to Rani Sudarshan. North by: Road

SCHEDULE B PROPERTY: An undivided share, right title and interest in respect of the Schedule A Property measuring 397 sq ft land in the schedule A Property.

SCHEDULE C PROPERTY: (Description of the Flat conveyed) Flat/Apartment No: B-02; Type of flat: Residential Second Floor, Super built up area: 1240 sq ft, Details of construction: RCC Roofing, brick walls , vitrified flooring, hone wood doors and Aluminium windows Other facilities: One closed Car Parking space in the stilt floor Name of the Apartment: "VENSAR HOMES".

Reserve Price: Rs.76,03,000/- **EMD: Rs.7,60,300/-**

(4) Name & Address of the Borrower: Shri. R Sundar Raju/ Smt. R Prasanna Jyothi, Flat no 414, Swarna Silicon Castle (Minos), Hoodi Village, KR Puram Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk.

Demand Notice: 26.08.2025 **Symbolic Possession Notice: 30.12.2025**

Outstanding Amount: Rs. 14,41,996.00 (Rupees Fourteen Lakh Fourty One Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Six Only) together with further interest and charges thereon with effect from 09-06-2025 (less further payments , if any).

Details of Property Mortgaged : SCHEDULE A PROPERTY: (Description of the entire property) All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing converted Sy.No.180/2, {converted vide Conversion Order bearing No.BDS.ALN: SR(E) :153/2004-05, dated 21/10/2004, issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District} situated at Hoodi Village, Krishnarajapuram Hobli, earlier Bangalore South Taluk, presently Bangalore East Taluk, totally measuring 40,000 sq ft and bounded on :- East by : Road and Property belongs to Smt.Syamala Vaka; West by : Private Property; North by : Remaining property retained by owner Sri. Rambabu Vaka; South by : Remaining property retained by owner Sri. Rambabu Vaka;

SCHEDULE "B" : 457 Sq.ft undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in Schedule "A" above.

SCHEDULE "C" : Flat bearing No.414, in Third Floor, measuring about 1794 Sq.feet super built up area, containing Three bed rooms, together with RCC Roofing, Semi-Vitrified flooring, alongwith One covered car parking space, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase, etc., in the multistoried residential building known as "SWARNA SILICON CASTLE (Minos)" constructed over Schedule "A"property

Reserve Price: Rs.1,09,20,000/- **EMD: Rs.10,92,000/-**

(5) Name & Address of the Borrower: Mr Amruth Shiroor, Site No 119, Royal Residency, Choodenapura Vikllage, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk.

Demand Notice: 18.09.2025 **Symbolic Possession Notice: 30.12.2025**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.24,66,516.00 (Rupees Twenty Four Lakh Sixty Six Thousand Five Hundred Sixteen Only) as on 10-07-2025 plus further interest and charges together with further interest and charges thereon with effect from 10-07-2025. (less further payments , if any).

Details of Property Mortgaged : SCHEDULE A PROPERTY: All the piece and parcel of independent Vacant Residential Site bearing No. 119, measuring East to West 30" ft, North to South 40' ft, totally measuring 1200 sq. ft., of project ROYAL RESIDENCY in BBMP Katha No. 57E/130V22y3A-119 formed out of Converted Land bearing Sy. No. 22/3A, measuring 09 Guntas, bearing conversion order no. ALN (S) SR (K) 25 / 2009-2010, dated 30.01.2010, issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore, situated at Choodenapura Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore District, which is bounded on the East by : Road; West by : Site No 120 North by : Site No 118, South by : Road together with all and singular the structures and erections thereon, both present and future.

Reserve Price: Rs.65,20,000/- **EMD: Rs.6,52,000/-**

(6) Name & Address of the Borrower: Shri. D Ramesh/D Revathi, Residential Property Situated in Site No 40 & 41, bearing BBMP Khata No.46/5/40-41/110 situated at Arkere Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk.

Demand Notice: 31.12.2024 **Symbolic Possession Notice: 26.03.2025**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.46,70,806/- (Rupees Forty Six Lakhs Seventy Thousand Eight Hundred and Six only) due as on 08-10-2024 together with further interest and charges thereon. (less further payments , if any).

Details of Property Mortgaged : SCHEDULE A PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of property measuring Northern portion of residential vacant site No 40 & 41 admeasuring 900 sqft formed in Sy.No.46/5, Bommanahalli CMC Katha No.46/5/40-41, presently coming within the limits of BBMP and bearing BBMP Khata No.46/5/40-41/110 situated at Arkere Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore District, within the State of Karnataka which is bounded as follows: On the East by: Site No: 42 & 43; On the West by : Road; On the North by : Site No:39; On the South by : Southern Portion of same property bearing No.40 & 41.

Reserve Price: Rs.1,50,57,310/- **EMD: Rs.15,05,731/-**

(7) Name & Address of the Borrower: Shri. Ajith Kumar/ Smt Shyla Ajith, Residential Property Situated in No.62, 1st Cross, 12th Block, Anjanapura Extn BDA Layout, Gottigere Post, Bannerghatta Taluk, Bengaluru.

Demand Notice: 20.01.2025 **Symbolic Possession Notice: 26.03.2025**

Outstanding Amount: Rs. 56,56,993.39 (Rupees Fifty Six Lakhs Fifty Six Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety Three and paisa Thirty Nine only) due as on 08-10-2024 together with further interest and charges thereon. (less further payments , if any).

Details of Property Mortgaged : SCHEDULE A PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of vacate residential site bearing No. 62, situated at Further Extension of Anjanapura 12th Block Bangalore, within the limits and administration of Bangalore Development Authority Bangalore: Measuring East to West: 12.19 Meters, North to South : 9.14 Meters, In All ad Measuring 111.41 Sq. Meters. Together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and bounded on: East by: Road; West by: Site bearing No: 55; North by: Site bearing No: 61; South: Site No.63.

Reserve Price: Rs.1,32,86,592/- **EMD: Rs.13,28,660/-**

(8) Name & Address of the Borrower: Shri. Alle Pandu /Smt. Swapna Rampelly, Residential Property Situated in Flat No 412, Fen Breeze Apartment, Belathur Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk.

Demand Notice: 23.10.2025 **Symbolic Possession Notice: 20.01.2026**

Outstanding Amount: Rs. 86,56,258.00 (Rupees Eighty Six Lakh Fifty Six Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Eight Only) as on 09/09/2025 together with further interest and charges thereon. (less further payments , if any).

Details of Property Mortgaged : SCHEDULE A PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of the converted residential land bearing Sy. No. 62/2, measuring to an extent of 0 Acre 29 Guntas, vide Conversion Order No. ALN/SR(E.B)(KA)53/2010-11, Dated : 22/02/2011, issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore district. Bangalore Situated at BELATHUR Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, now comes under the jurisdiction of BRUHATH BANGALORE MAHANAGARA PALIKE, Bangalore, in BBMP Sl.No./ Katha No. 1069 and bounded on : East by : Flat No 413; West by : Pyda Palms Apartment; North by : 80 Feet Road; South by : Flat No 411.

SCHEDULE-B : An Undivided share in that piece and parcel of schedule A property, which works out to 439 Sqft.

SCHEDULE-C : All that piece and parcel of apartment known as "FEN BREEZE" constructed by "SAI NIRMAANIKA DEVELOPERS" in the Schedule 'A' Property Description of the Flat. 1) Flat Number's : 412. 2) Floor : Fourth Floor 3) Type of Flat : Residential 4) Accommodation details: Three Bedrooms, Hall, Dining, Kitchen, 2 Bath Rooms and Toilets 5) Super built up area : 1465 Sqft 6) Corresponding Undivided share in Land : 439 Sqft 7) Construction Specifications : RCC Roof, Wooden Door And Aluminium Windows, Vitrified & Ceramic Flooring 8) Additional Facility : 1 Covered Car Parking in the basement.

Reserve Price: Rs.1,18,50,000/- **EMD: Rs.11,85,000/-**

- Interested bidders shall submit proof of payment along with KYC documents (photo identity and address proofs) like PAN Card (compulsory), Aadhaar Card, Passport, Voter ID card, Driving License etc. in person to the Authorized Officer at the address given above. The bidder shall have to submit the bid along with necessary documents and filling formats in person by visiting the Authorised Officer ('AO')/Branch at the address given above. EMD to be remitted to **Account No. 00834915010026, IFSC Code: IBKL0000008,** Branch Name: IDBI Bank Ltd, Mission Road, Bengaluru - 560027, by way of RTGS/NEFT only in favour of IDBI Bank Ltd. The amount of EMD paid by the interested bidders shall carry no interest. The EMD shall be forfeited if the bidder does not participate in the e-auction by placing the bid.
- The AO shall not take responsibility for any dues (Statutory or otherwise) outstanding as on date and yet to fall due, including dues that may affect transfer of property in the name of the successful bidder and such dues, if any, shall have to be borne by the successful purchaser. IDBI Bank Ltd. shall not take any responsibility to provide information on the same. The successful bidder would be required to bear all the necessary expenses like stamp duty, registration, expenses, tax liabilities, if any, etc. for transfer of immovable property in his/her favour.
- IDBI Bank Ltd and AO do not take responsibility for any errors/ omissions/ discrepancy/ shortfall etc. in the immovable properties or for procuring any permissions etc. or for the dues of any authority established by law.
- Property will be sold to bidder quoting the highest bid amount. However, the Authorized Officer has the absolute power and right to accept or reject any tender/bid or adjourn/postpone the sale without assigning any reason whatsoever thereof. The property will not be sold below Reserve Price.
- The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of bid amount (after adjusting EMD) immediately or next working day and balance 75% amount must be payable within 15 days. On failure to pay the sale price as stated all deposits including EMD shall be forfeited without further notice. However extension of further reasonable time to make the balance 75% payment in exceptional situations shall be at sole discretion of authorized officer.
- For any clarification, the interested parties may contact : **: Shri Vithal Koteswara Rao - 080-61451250, Shri Pradip Sutradhar - 080-61451233, Smt. Urmila Sahoo - 080-61451234, Shri Vageesha Javali - 080-61451246, Kum. CP Krishnapriya - 080-61451280. Email Id: recovery.bangalore@idbi.co.in**
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Date: 01.02.2026 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bengaluru **IDBI Bank Limited**

Can Fin Homes Ltd

Vidyaranyapura Branch

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DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) of "The Securitisation and reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (No. 54 of 2002)"

To,

1. **Borrower: Mohammed Mustafa Ali Siddiqui,** #1075,17th Floor,Tower B,ETC Garden,KP Agrahara ,Magadi Road, Bangalore-560023.
2. **Co-Borrower : Mohammed Sadat Ali,** #1075,17th Floor,Tower B, ETC Garden,KP Agrahara ,Magadi Road, Bangalore-560023.

No. 1 & 2 amongst you have availed a housing loan from our branch against the security of mortgage of the following asset belonging to No.01 & 2 . An amount of **Rs.35,45,765/-** (Rupees Thirty Five Lakhs Forty Five Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty Five Only) is due from you, to Can Fin Homes Ltd. as on 30.01.2026 together with future interest at the contracted rate

Details of the mortgaged Property: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Site no.02,BBMP ward no.41,Assessment No.86/1 & 87/1, Nelagadaranahalli Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bengaluru. Measuring: East to West: 30 feet, North to South: 40 feet, in all measuring 1200 Square feet and bounded on the:-East by: Site No.1, West by: Site No.3, North by:Road, South by: Site No.11.

Registered demand notice was sent to Nos. 1& 2 amongst you under Section 13 (2) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002, but the same was returned unserved. The undersigned has, therefore, caused these Notices to be pasted on the premises of the last known addresses of the said Borrower/s as per the said Act. Hence this paper publication. As you have failed to adhere to the terms of the sanction, the account is classified as a Non Performing Asset on 29.01.2026 as per the NHB Guidelines. You are hereby called upon to pay the above said amount with contracted rateof interest thereon from 30.01.2026 within 60 days from the date of this notice, failing which the undersigned will be constrained to Initiate action under SARFAESIAct to enforce the aforesaid security. Further, the attention of borrowers / guarantors is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to them to redeem the secured assets.

Sd/-
Place: Bangalore, **Authorised Officer**
Date : 30.01.2026 **Can Fin Homes Limited**

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify to the general public that, Shri. Vivek Samyal son of Sri.Jagdeep Singh Samyal was created the charge over the Schedule Property at our bank State Bank of India, RACPC, Bangalore and same has been closed but original Absolute Sale Deed dated 12.12.2012 executed by Bharat Electronics Employee's Cooperative House Building Society Limited in favour of Sri.Vivek Samyal on Schedule Property in registered Document No.LAG-1-06239-2012-13 in Book No.1, CD No.LAGD197 at the office of Sub-registrar, Laggere was deposited with our bank has been misplaced/lost while shifting on migration from one RACPC to another RACPC at Bengaluru and regarding to this the our bank has lodged a online Complaint on 24/12/2025 at Bengaluru City and got acknowledgment in e-Lost Report No. 1975218/2025.

Public Notice is hereby given to all the General Public that wherever fund the above Original sale Deed kindly inform/contact undersigned address within the 15 days or handover to below address, as early as possible and further if any Person/s or institutions having create charge on the Schedule property based on the above lost of document, the State Bank of India or the above said present owner of Schedule Property are not responsible thereon, hence if any Person/s or institutions having claims over the Schedule property may lodge their claim to the undersigned with documentary proof within period of 15 days from the date of this publication failing which it will be presumed that there are no objections/Claims, disputes in respect of the Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

2BH Flat No.G-04 in Ground Floor of Apartment "BHARAT ENCLAVE -I", flat having meg Super built-up area 1113.18 square feet of said Apartment constructed on the land of Site bearing No.173, (amalgamated site No.174 to 179), Khatha No.83, in the layout formed by the Bharat Electronics Employee's Co-operative House Building Society Limited at Survey No.82/1 situated at Herohalli Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk and 505.19 square feet share of undivided right, title and interest of land in the said site area of land Property.

Rudraswamy.G.M, Advocate
on behalf of The Chief Manager, Maintenance, **State Bank of India,** office at RACPC, No.5/1, Prestige Star Building, 1st Floor, Ring Road, Near Mother Dairy, Yelahanka New Town, Bengaluru–560065

PUBLIC NOTICE

By way of this notice, is hereby notifying the General Public Banks/NBFC/money lenders/public - private institutions/ any legal person/s all that, our client **Sri. A.AnandaKumar** Aged about 46 years, S/o R.AshwathReddy, R/at. No.36,1st main,5th Cross, Suncity Layout, Behind VVPS School, Singanayakanahalli, Yelahanka Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bangalore North -560 064 **is** willing to purchase the following schedule properties from **Sri.Nagendrareddy,** Aged about 51 Years, s/o Late Ramakrishnaredy. R/at No.Kothakote, Pesalaparthi, Gulur Hobli, Bagepalli Taluk, Chikkaballapura-561207 through **Sale deed** , in this regard all the legal formalities are at the conclusion stage. If any person/s third party/s has any type of objections/claims/liabilities, attachments, agreements or any manner of right, title or interest over the Schedule Properties may lodge their objections/claims, with all supporting documents/evidence to the under singed Advocate within 7 (Seven) days from the date of this publication. Failing which our clients shall proceed with the sale transaction to purchase the Schedule Properties from said **Sri.Nagendrareddy** and any right that may arise later will not be entertained, as treating that there are no objections/claims and it shall not be binding on our clients.

A SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing **Sy No 33/1** Measuring 01 Acres 11 Guntas Situated at Aradeshanahalli Village, Kundana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk,Bangalore Rural District together with all rights, appurtenance, whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface, and bounded on the:- **East by :** Sy.No 33/3, **West by :** Sy.No. 32, **North by :** Sy.No. 30 & Sy.No. 29, **South by :** Sy.No. 33/2.

B SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing **Sy No 33/3** Measuring 01 Acres 11 Guntas Situated at Aradeshanahalli Village, Kundana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District together with all rights, appurtenance, whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface, and bounded on the:- **East by :** Sy.No. 38, **West by :** Sy.No. 33/1, **North by :** Sy.No. 29 & Sy.No.27, **South by :** Sy.No. 33/2.

Sri. Raghu .K.S. Advocates
Office: 492, K.N. Complex, 4th Cross, Malleshwarm, Bangalore-560003.
Mobile : 9845728672

Can Fin Homes Ltd

Begur Branch

No.2&4, 1st Floor, Shanthi Priya Layout, Devarachikkanahalli Road, Behind Begur Govt. High School, Bangalore - 560068. Tel:25740123, M:7625079200, Email:begur@canfinhomes.com, CINL85110KA1987PLC008699

DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) of "The Securitisation and reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (No. 54 of 2002)"

To,

1. **Mr. Seenappa,** S/o Thirupatha Chari,No 17, 3rd Cross, Ashwath Layout, Begur Main Road, Mylasandra, Bangalore – 560068(Borrower),
2. **Mrs. Bhagyamma** W/o Mr. Seenappa(Co-Borrower),No 17, 3rd Cross, Ashwath Layout, Begur Main Road, Mylasandra,Bangalore – 560068.

No. 1 & 2 amongst you have availed a housing loan from our branch against the security of mortgage of the following asset belonging to no 1. An amount of **Rs.35,74,555/-** (Rupees Thirty Five Lakhs Seventy Four Thousand Five Hundred Fifty Five Only) is due from you, to Can Fin Homes Ltd. as on 30/01/2026 together with future interest at the contracted rate.

Details of the mortgaged Property: All the piece and parcel of the Residential property bearing site no 30, Property no 105/1, Khatha no 105/1, Situated at Mylasandra Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently comes under Doddathoguru Village Panchayath limits measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 30 feet, in all measuring 1200 Sq.ft and bounded on: East: Site no 43, West: Road, North: Site no 31, South: Site no 29.

Registered demand notice was sent to Nos. 1&2 amongst you under Section 13 (2) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002, but the same was returned unserved. The undersigned has, therefore, caused these Notices to be pasted on the premises of the last known addresses of the said Borrower/s as per the said Act. Hence this paper publication. As you have failed to adhere to the terms of the sanction, the account is classified as a Non Performing Asset on **29.01.2026** as per the NHB Guidelines. The borrowers and any others claiming under them are hereby called upon to pay the above said amount with contracted rate of interest thereon from **30.01.2026** within 60 days from the date of this notice, failing which the undersigned will be constrained to Initiate action under SARFAESIAct to enforce the aforesaidsecurity. Further, the attention of borrowers / guarantors is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to them to redeem the secured assets.

Sd/-
Place: Bangalore **Authorised Officer**
Date :31.01.2026 **Can Fin Homes Limited**

KARNATAKA STATE FINANCIAL CORPORATION

Established under the State Financial Corporations Act, 1951
Branch Office
No.P-9/1, 2nd Floor, Sahukar Channaiah Road, Saraswathipuram, MYSORE - 570 009
TEL No.2344930/2344524/2344531

SALE OF INDUSTRIAL LAND @ MYSURU THROUGH e-auction

The assets of the following unit taken over u/s 29 of SFC's Act. 1951 areavailable for sale on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS" through e-auction.

1. M/s Somu Industries, Propr. Somasundar R, Plot No.20, Sy.No. (s)104P, 106P, Adakanahalli Industrial Area, Adakanahalli Village, Chikkaiahnachathra Hobli, Nanjangud Taluk, Mysuru District.

a) Land & Building: 1,649.00 sq.mtrs industrial land and building foundation & other Civil Works.

Reserve Price for Unit: 1,47,07,000/- EMD Rs.14,70,700/-
E auction No.KSFC/2025-26/AUCTION277
Date of Inspection: 23.02.2026 at 11 AM to 1 PM.
E-auction for the above unit will commence on 05.03.2026 at 10.00 AM and Closed on 09.03.2026 within 4.00 PM.
EMD on or before 04.03.2026 4.00 pm
Detailed Terms and Conditions of sale through E-auction are available in website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in. For more details to participate in E-auction please contact e-procurement help desk no.91-9240214000/ 91-9240214001, 4th Floor, Sri Aravinda Bhavana, Mythic Society Compound, Nrupathunga Road, Bengaluru – 560 001, are contact the authorized officer and Branch Manager, KSFC BO Mysuru on mobile No. 9448789126/9880701752.

Date: 30.01.2026 **Sd/-**
Mysuru: **Branch Manager**

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Zonal Office, Bengaluru

No. 465/A, 22nd Cross, 3rd Block, Opp: NMKRV College for Women, Jayanagar, Bengaluru - 560011, Phone No. 080-29509922, E-mail: legal_ban@mahabank.co.in
Head Office: : LOKMANGAL, 1501, SHIVAJINAGAR, PUNE-5

91 YEARS

Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties (Appendix IV-A)

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower/s & Guarantor/s that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to Bank of Maharashtra, the possession of which have been taken by the Authorised Officer of Bank of Maharashtra, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on **17/02/2026,** for recovery of the balance due to the Bank of Maharashtra from the Borrower(s) as mentioned in the table. Details of Borrower/s, Guarantor/s, amount due, Short description of the immovable property and encumbrances known thereon, possession type, reserve price and the earnest money deposit are also given as under –

Sr. No.	Name and address of Borrower/s & Guarantor/s	Short description of immovable property	O/S Dues as on 30/01/2026 Possession Type Encumbrances	Reserve Price EMD Bid incremental Amount
1.	**Asset Recovery Branch (Mob-8459715575)** **Borrower: Mr. Murali Mohan Y V** **Guarantor: Mr. Y V Venkatesh** Both are residing at No.595, Ground Floor, NTI 2nd Phase, Rajiv Gandhi Nagar, Bangalore-560 097 Also at No.85, Kodigehalli, Sahakar Nagar, Bangalore-560 092	All that piece and parcel of 3BHK residential Flat bearing No.F-401 admeasuring area 1342 sq. ft. (super built-up) on 4th Floor in the apartment named "Shri Sai Shanthi Nilaya" with one car parking with undivided share of the land of 230 sq. ft. in the total area of the land 5600 sq. ft. of the land bearing No.21 & 22, Old Khatha No.582/01/21 & 22, New Khatha No.31/33/21 & 383/585/0/22 lying and situated at Ward No.8, near State Bank of India & Ring Road, Balaji Layout, Kodigehalli Main Road, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore-560 094 and the Flat is butted and bounded as under- On or towards North : By Private Property (Open to Sky). On or towards South : By Private Property. On or towards East : By Flat No.F-403. On or towards West : By Flat No.F-402.	**Rs.64,45,419.00 Plus Unapplied Interest w.e.f. 31/01/2026 and cost & expenses.** **Physical** **NIL**	**Rs.45.28 Lakh** **10 % of Reserve Price** **Rs.15,000/-**
2.	**Branch: City Market (M-7995365600)** **Borrower:** **Mr. Prasanna Kumar C R &** **Mrs. H V Bhamani** Both residing at No.96-97, 1st Main, 7th Cross, Banashankari Stage-III, BDA New Layout, Avalahalli, Bangalore-560 085	All that piece and parcel of Residential Building constructed Ground Floor 1426 sq. ft. and 1st Floor 1332 sq. ft. (Built-up area) on the land bearing site No. 835, New No. 961, PID No. 54-207-961, admeasuring area 2400 sq. ft. (East to West : 40 feet and North to South: 60 feet) lying and situated at 1st E Main Road, Girinagar, 2nd Phase, Off Double Road Avalahalli Village, Bangalore-560085 and bounded as follows: On or towards the East : By Property No. 834. On or towards the West : By Property No. 836. On or towards the North : By Property No. 762. On or towards the South : By 40 feet Road. All that piece and parcel of residential Building constructed Cellar 460 sq. ft.; Ground Floor 860 sq. ft.; 1st Floor 860 sq. ft. & 2nd Floor 860 sq. ft. (Built-up area) on the land bearing site No. 96 & 97 admeasuring area 1200 sq. ft. (East to West 40 ft. and North to South 30 ft.) lying and situated at 1st Main, 7th Cross, Banashankari, 3rd Stage, New BDA Layout, Avalahalli, Girinagar, Bangalore-560085 and bounded as follows: On or towards the East : By Property No. 98. On or towards the West : By Property No. 95. On or towards the North : By Property No. 83 & 84. On or towards the South : By 7th Cross Road.	**Rs.3,72,67,969.00 Plus Unapplied Interest w.e.f. 31/01/2026 and cost & expenses.** **Symbolic** **NIL** **Symbolic** **NIL**	**Rs.391.00 Lakh** **10 % of Reserve Price** **Rs.50,000/-** **Rs.218.00 Lakh** **10 % of Reserve Price** **Rs.50,000/-**

- **Date of E-Auction & Time:17/02/2026 between 11.00 am to 1.00 pm.**
- **Property Inspection Date & Time: 10/02/2026 to 16/02/2026 with prior appointment (except holidays)**
- **Last Date & Time for submission of Bid/EMD:17/02/2026 upto 1.00 pm.**

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in website of Bank of Maharashtra i.e. **"https://www.bankofmaharashtra.in/properties for sale" & "https://baanknet.com".**

STATUTORY 15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT, 2002

The borrower/s and guarantor/s above named are hereby notified to pay the sum as mentioned above along with up to dated interest and ancillary expenses before the date of auction, failing which the property will be auctioned/sold and balance dues if any will be recovered with interest and cost.

Date : 31.01.2026 **Sd/- Authorized Officer**
Place: Bangalore **Bank of Maharashtra, Bangalore Zone**

Sindhu pulls out of Badminton Asia Team Championship

Two-time Olympic medallist PV Sindhu has pulled out of the upcoming Badminton Asia Team Championships, dealing a major blow to Indian team's medal chances at the tournament beginning next week. Sindhu, a former world champion, made a successful return to competition after a foot injury that kept her out from October last year.

PIC : ASHWIN PRASATH

UNEVEN PITCH FOR LESSER MORTALS

Ground staff are lowest paid while scorers next in line with their annual income depending on number of days they work. **Firoz Mirza** speaks with those who are forgotten in the ecosystem

THE scorching sun was beating down relentlessly when Ram Dayal (name changed) along with a few other ground staff were busy giving the final touches to the surface. It was mid-summer. The curator was standing close-by, hollering instructions. With the venue scheduled to host an international cricket match in a couple of days, Dayal and his colleagues had no option but to work from dawn to dusk without worrying about the extreme heat and its effects on the body.

If it is heat in the plains of the sub-continent, extreme cold and frost in the Himalayas and northeast India make their job extremely hazardous. Yet they labour on with their chores without fuss. They are the invisible force that help to maintain the beauty of the ground with manicured grass, sporting wicket that can produce runs and results and other associated paraphernalia that turn a game of cricket into a fascinating contest.

Rain or sunshine, snow or thaw... these men and women are the first to reach and last to leave whenever their venues host matches. Even on non-match days, they are responsible to protect the field of play from the vagaries of nature and sometimes even humans and animals. Yet, the return they get is pittance compared the revenue a game generates. They work for minuscule sums; most of the times, they are lower than the minimum daily wage rates as revised by the Government of India with effect from October 1, 2024.

Daily wages as per the government guidelines for scheduled employments in the central sphere (mines, railways, ports, construction). range from ₹783 (unskilled) to ₹1,035 (highly skilled), depending on the area ((\A,B,C\)) and skill level. Unfortunately, these men and women earn between ₹350/day to ₹850/day.

"It varies from state to state. In states like Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand and other smaller cricketing centres, the daily wage for the ground staff is as low as ₹350. Some other state units like Karnataka and Bengal give them more than ₹800 per day," a chief curator of a Test centre told this daily.

Accountability but no money

A Test centre needs at least a dozen grounds people to maintain the ground. The demand for them can grow ten times for matches. Usually, a state association hires services of 10 to 15 ground staff on an annual basis and employs additional workforce for matches. It means a majority of them are not well versed with the job, which demands utmost care and expertise. And of late because of the low payment, finding people for has become more tedious.

"At times, it's difficult to find people because they get less than their regular income. The accountability is far more than what they earn. For ordinary work, they get ₹600 or even ₹800 per day. Most of the time, those who love the game and want to watch their stars from close quarters come in. But even that charm fades with time as at the end of day, everyone needs money," lamented the curator.

A senior scorer from a state association sang from the same hymn sheet. "I have no complaints as far as my job is concerned. I must say the BCCI is doing a wonderful job for all its stakeholders. The only grey area is apathy towards the ground staff. I must say they deserve better treatment as they are the heart and soul of the sport. They lay the foundation for the game of cricket and hence deserve respect in every sense. The board gives financial assistance to every state association and so it can also direct them to frame a welfare policy for them. They can provide them with health insurance and other benefits," added the scorer.

All is not well with scorers

Rohan (name changed) comes to the stadium well in advance and opens his laptop and starts entering details. He is the first one to reach (if he is sitting at the media centre) and the last one to leave on a matchday. He would help with statistics, numbers and figures. With technology, they have changed. Unlike the days when they had to enter details in a scoresheet, now they have to feed it in computers too. They get instant data from their software. It is a bit easier, but off the ground if not a senior international scorer, life is still a struggle.

The above-mentioned scorer might be happy with the returns he is getting but there are others from his fraternity, who strongly feel BCCI needs to have a re-look at their remunerations. A scorer gets ₹15,000 per day for a domestic match and ₹25,000 per day for an international match. For the shortest version, they receive half the sum they get for a full day (₹7500). "A scorer is hired for 35 to 40 days in a year for domestic tournaments. This means he or she earns between ₹5 to 6 lakh. Given the rotation policy of the BCCI, a centre hardly gets more than a couple of matches in a season. IPL is a good source of income for scorers but again not all centres host matches. This makes most of us do part-time jobs. But on matchdays, our other employers deduct our salaries as we skip that work," said a scorer, who has been part of a state association for around three decades.

BCCI hiked the fee from ₹10,000 to ₹15,000 for domestic matches a couple of years ago. If one goes back to 2005, the fee was ₹400 per day for domestic matches and ₹600 per day for international matches. A comparison suggests tremendous hike but add to it rising inflation and cost of living, the raise will start looking meagre.

Centralised distribution

Scorers along with groundstaff were hit hard during the the pandemic. The BCCI paid the cricketers 50 per cent of match fees they received the previous season to compensate them. Unfortunately, it did not offer any relief to the scorers, who were left to fend for themselves. "There are associations which host a lot of matches, be it domestic or international. Since a state unit appoints scorers, most of them prefer their scorers. Of late, the BCCI has started appointing two scorers for every international match apart from scorers from the home association. It's a welcome move. Besides, in case of need, a state association can hire scorers from other states as well but it's a rarity. The solution can be centralised appointment of scorers for equal distribution of matches. The BCCI appoints umpires and the same can be done with the scorers as well," said the scorer.

6 DAYS TO GO

Curators better placed

Curators are better placed if compared to ground staff and scorers but they still deserve more. The curators are classified into two categories — elite panel and emerging panel. An elite panel curator gets a monthly salary of around ₹1 lakh. They also get ₹3,500 per day while on duty for a match. An emerging panel curator earns ₹15000 per day when assigned for a match. It is termed as consultation charge. The BCCI takes care of travel and accommodation of both categories of the curators.

While the elite panel curator is guaranteed a monthly income, their counterpart from the emerging panel has to depend on the number of matches they get in a year. Such curators usually lend their services for around seven to eight days for a multi-day match. At the end of the day, just like scorers, it all boils down to the number of days they are employed for.

"Most of us get work between 50 to 100 days which takes our annual income to between ₹10 lakh to ₹15 lakh, which is good. Apart from this, a majority of us are employed with the state associations and hence get paid by them. But there are a few who get fewer number of matches, eventually reducing their annual income drastically. So there needs to be a system which can ensure a minimum number of matches for each curator," said a curator. Like ground staff, the curators also work 24x7 for an international match and hardly get time to visit their families during World Cups. IPL has also opened a new avenue of income for them. But for a holistic development, a lot can be done.

HOW THEY EARN

Scorers usually get hired from 35 to 40 days in a year. This, however, largely depends on state units they are hailing from. Add to it the IPL matches, if a venue in the state hosts the games. Besides, as per rotation policy, a venue hosts only a few international matches in a calendar year

CURATORS

An elite panel curator gets a fixed salary of around ₹1 lakh/ month	They get ₹3500/day when they travel for matches apart from other benefits like travel and accommodation	An emerging panel curator gets ₹15k/day plus other facilities like boarding, transportation and accommodation	It was ₹10k in 2015 and revised to ₹15k in 2022-23 season

GROUND STAFF

Financial remuneration varies from state to state

In states like Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Madhya Pradesh, a groundsman gets a little over 10k per month	Earlier it was ₹7.5k which was then hiked to ₹9k A few centres also offer EPF and insurance to the groundsmen	For associations like Karnataka and Bengal, a groundman gets around ₹25k per month

Kishan lays claim to spot in WC XI

GOMESH S @ T'Puram

AS Ishan Kishan walked on to the ground after making a statement during India's innings at the Greenfield International Stadium here, he donned the wicketkeeper's gloves. This was more than just symbolic. There has been quite a murmur throughout the series as soon as he started hitting those crisp shots out of the ground. On the other hand, Sanju Samson who has been the first choice opener-cum-wicketkeeper has been struggling.

If Sunday would have brought some relief through runs from his blade, it was not to be. As soon as Samson got out there was silence across the stadium. The sell-out crowd that had filled the stands to cheer for one of their own was in shock. It was supposed to be a night of celebration. But destiny had other ideas. Samson went to the deep, closer to the fans while India was fielding, but the joy was not there. His brief stay in the middle was agonizing too. A leading edge flew off the bat for a lucky boundary before a similar edge carried to the fielder in the deep. There was a lull. Anyone who walks into such a silence would feel some pressure but not Kishan.

The keeper-batter from Jharkhand has seen worse moments. From losing his spot in the India XI to being ignored for a central contract, he has seen it all. He bounced back from that, led his state team Jharkhand to the domestic T20 title and broke down the doors to force his way back to the Indian team. Every chance he got in this series was used to make a statement. Saturday was not going to be any different. From the moment he walked in, Kishan meant business. It started with a forceful boundary off

Ishan Kishan scores a ton against New Zealand on Saturday | BP DEEPU

Lockie Ferguson before hitting the speedster in front of square for a six.

That was just the beginning. Spinners Ish Sodhi and Mitchell Santner took a beating, with the left-hander making the most of the angle and the positive match-up. It did not matter that Abhishek Sharma fell. Kishan's single-minded steadfastness was in full display to an extent where the crowd started chanting for him, a potential replacement candidate for Samson. His fifty came in 28 balls, but the next 50 runs took only 14 deliveries. Every ball he hit went where he wanted to. So did the slog sweep off Santner that took him to the three-figure mark in just 42 balls.

Then came the roar and jubilation. It was perhaps fitting that Hardik Pandya was at the other end when Kishan got to the milestone. After all, the all-rounder from Baroda has been with Kishan through thick and thin over the last few years. Kishan made a statement with 43-ball 103 before the T20 World Cup. **Brief scores:** India 271/5 (Kishan 103, Suryakumar 63, Hardik 42, Lockie 2/31) bt NZ 225 in 19.4 ovs (Finn Allen 80, Ish Sodhi 33) **Full story:newindianexpress.com**

Gopal's gritty fifty gives Karnataka narrow lead

ENS/AGENCIES @ Mohali

Karnataka all-rounder Shreyas Gopal's fighting half-century gave visitors Karnataka a narrow lead of seven in the first innings against Punjab on Day 3 of the Ranji Trophy on Saturday. The hosts began their second essay on a strong note, ending at 119/3 at stumps

ODISHA AT JAMSHEDPUR: Skipper Subhranshu Senapati scored 73 but saw his team collapse to 202/8 against Jharkhand. Govinda Poddar remains the only batting option, as he is unbeaten on 22.

TAMIL NADU AT SALEM: Vimal Khumar's 182 and Pradosh Ranjan Paul's 80 helped Tamil Nadu amass 411 for 7 against Baroda.

KERALA AT PORVORIM: Rohan Kunnummal improved on his overnight ton to 153, but Kerala had another centurion in Vishnu Vinod (113) as visitors ended their innings at 526/9

HYDERABAD AT HYDERABAD: Hosts are eight wickets away from victory over Chhattisgarh after they posted 631 in their first innings thanks to big centuries from Himateja K's (171) and Pragnay Reddy (121).

DELHI AT MUMBAI: After Mumbai's 317 in their first innings, Delhi's Vaibhav Kandpal scored and skipper Ayush Doseja was unbeaten on 62. Earlier, D Mehra scalped five wickets. At stumps, Delhi's lead had swelled to 110 runs.

SELECT SCORES: Group A: At Jamshedpur: Odisha 282 & 202/8 in 76.5 ovs (S Senapati 73; A Roy 4/56) vs Jharkhand 263 in 79.1 ovs (R Minz 52; ST Ahmad 4/78). At Salem: Baroda 375 vs Tamil Nadu 411/7 in 36 ovs (V Khumar 182, PR Paul 80; M Pithiya 4/110). At Sovima: Nagaland 366 & 85/4 in 33 ovs (J Ozukam 36; T Vijay 3/29) vs Andhra 536/9d in 130 ovs (CR Gnaneshwar 227 n.o; V Zhimomi 5/86); **Group B:** At Mohali: Punjab 309 & 119/3 (U Saharan 63 batting) vs Karnataka 316 in 110.2 ovs (S Gopal 77; H Brar 4/125); At Porvorim: Goa 355 vs 18/0 in 3 ovs & Kerala 526/9d in 135 ovs (R Kunnummal 153; V Vinod 113; A Pandrekar 3/85); **Group D:** At Mumbai: Delhi 221 & 206/4 in 51 ovs (A Doseja 62 batting, V Kandpal 61) vs Mumbai 317 in 103.2 ovs (S Lad 103; D Mehra 5/64); At Hyderabad: Chhattisgarh 283 & 100/2 in 39 ovs vs Hyderabad 415/4 in 105 ovs (K Himateja 171, P Reddy 126; A Pandey 2/53).

EXPRESS READ

Unheralded Devika in maiden Super 300 final

BANGKOK : Young Indian shuttler Devika Sihag stormed into her maiden BWF Super 300 final with a straight-games win over World No. 35 Huang Yu-Hsun at the Thailand Masters on Saturday. The unseeded Indian, registered a 22-20, 21-13 win over the fifth-seeded Huang in the women's singles semifinal. The World No. 63 will face Malaysia's Goh Jin Wei in the summit clash.

Squash: Anahat enters semis in Washington

NEW DELHI : Indian teenage star Anahat Singh rallied from 0-2 down to stun second seed Sana Ibrahim of Egypt in the women's singles quarterfinals of the Squash on Fire Open in Washington. The Indian world no.31 and seventh seed fought her way back into the contest, overturning a 6-5 deficit in both the third and fourth games, to edge out the Egyptian world no.17 8-11 8-11 11-7 11-8 11-7 in the PSA Bronze-level event.

Gukesh held by Aravindh, hope dashed

WIJK AAN ZEE (THE NETHERLANDS): D Gukesh played out a draw with compatriot Aravindh Chithambaram, ending the reigning world champion's title hopes on a tough day for Indian players in the Tata Steel Masters. R Praggnanandhaa was also on the receiving end against a Vincent Keymer. Uzbek duo Sindarov and Abdusattorov have seven points each with two rounds remaining.

Rybakina toast of Melbourne after triumph

AFP @ Melbourne

ELENA Rybakina stifled her emotions to take revenge over World No. 1 Aryna Sabalenka and win the Australian Open on Saturday for her second Grand Slam title.

The big-serving Kazakh fifth seed held her nerve to pull through 6-4, 4-6, 6-4 at Rod Laver Arena in Melbourne in 2hrs 18mins. It was payback after the Belarusian Sabalenka won the 2023 final between two of the hardest hitters in women's tennis. Rybakina, 26, who was born in Moscow, adds her Melbourne triumph to her Wimbledon win in 2022.

Rybakina has a reputation for being unflappable but she said she was nervous in losing the second set, even though she did not show it, and again as she served for the match.

She sealed the championship with her sixth ace of the final.

"Well, the heart definitely was beating too fast, even if maybe my face did not show it," she told local broadcasters.

"Inside was a lot of emotions." It was more disappointment in a major final for Sabalenka, who won the US Open last year for the second time but lost the French Open and Melbourne title deciders.

She was into her fourth Australian Open final in a row and had been imperious until now.

The 27-year-old top seed had tears in her eyes at the end and draped a towel over her head to hide her feelings. "Let's hope maybe next year will be a better year for me," Sabalenka said ruefully. "She played an incredible match."

HISTORY BECKONS

The Serb former World No. 1 has once again displayed his remarkable mental prowess but he faces the substantial Carlos Alcaraz-sides hurdle to create another history. A loo at the men's final...

NO. 25 BECKONS

Novak Djokovic, by sheer longevity and titles alone, is the GOAT. And he's one win away from equalling the 25 Majors won by Margaret Court. The 38-year-old has been eyeing that record for the last few years but it's eluded him. Will Melbourne give him his greatest title?

ALCARAZ CHASES IMMORTALITY

Carlos Alcaraz may just be 22 but he already has six Majors. After moving away from coach Juan Carlos Ferrero, the Spaniard has reached a first-ever final at Melbourne Park. He's one win away from becoming the youngest man to win all Majors

LIVE on Sony Sports Network from 2.00pm @ Rod Laver Arena

EPL: Arsenal thrash Leeds

LONDON: Arsenal settled any fears of a wobble in their pursuit of a first Premier League title in 22 years by winning 4-0 at Leeds on Saturday. The visitors were dealt another blow before kick-off as Bukayo Saka was injured in the warm-up. But his replacement Noni Madueke played a major part in the Gunners' win. His cross was headed in by Martin Zubimendi to open the scoring. Leeds goalkeeper Karl Darlow could then only parry another dangerous delivery from the England winger into his own goal before half-time. Gabriel Jesus came off the bench to round off the scoring with a blistering strike four minutes from time.

Saturday's results: Leeds **0-4** Arsenal, Brighton **1-1** Everton; Wolves **0-2** Bournemouth

"There was no need for a separate definition when Regulation 3(1)(e) already defines discrimination in an all-encompassing manner," the petitioner said in the Supreme Court

3(1)(e) would even deal with a scenario involving regional discrimination, like a student from the South facing humiliation in a institution in the North where caste identities are unknown

UGC in caste discrimination pickle

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GAZETTE notifications issued by the University Grants Commission (UGC), the statutory body that oversees higher education in India, usually don't attract much public attention. However, a recent one announcing updates to its 2012 anti-discrimination framework to make it more stringent has triggered a nationwide controversy and invited sharp comments from parents, students, politicians, and even the Supreme Court, which stayed it.

While the updates were meant to give teeth to the existing mechanism to effectively check discrimination on campuses by promoting equity, the vague language of the regulation and its exclusivity evoked protests and raised questions about the motive behind the move. Critics pointed out that the new regulation was inherently biased against upper caste members as the general category was left out of its ambit. Instead of protecting the marginalised groups, they claimed, the new rules could end up creating caste divisions, hatred, and unwarranted tension on campuses.

The new framework aimed to replace the mechanism introduced in 2012 to check discrimination in higher education institutions. Its rules tightened the prevailing provisions and mandated universities to protect historically disadvantaged groups such as scheduled castes, scheduled tribes, and other socially and educationally backward classes. The regulations also expanded the definition of caste-based discrimination to include OBCs and, in a controversial move, removed a proposed provision to punish those who file false complaints.

The Supreme Court is now seized of the matter and has stayed the new regulation till March 19, when the issue will be taken up in detail. While ordering a stay, the court orally remarked that the manner in which the law was drafted could create confusion and unrest among students. For the time being, the existing rules notified in 2012 will hold, the court ruled.

Need for a new regulation

The University Grants Commission (Promotion of Equity in Higher Education Institutions) Regulations, 2026 was notified on January 13 following a Supreme Court directive in September 2025. The court asked the UGC to consider bringing a stronger framework to protect students from caste bias and harassment. The direction came during the hearing of a public interest petition filed by Radhika Vemula and Abeda Salim Tadvi, mothers of Rohith Vemula and Payal Tadvi, who died by suicide in 2016 and 2019, respectively, allegedly over caste discrimination. The duo's PIL said the UGC's 2012 equity regulations were not good enough and sought robust anti-discrimination mechanisms on campuses across India. They also sought accountability from the institutions in implementing the regulations and demanded creation of equity panels in the institutions with adequate representation from the SCs and STs. The Supreme Court asked the UGC to consider suggestions from the petitioners and also other stakeholders while drafting the new regulations.

In the hearing in September 2025, the petitioners' counsel Indira Jaising came up with 10 suggestions, which included grievance committees with mandatory representation from the marginalised communities, withdrawal of grants to institutions for non-compliance, explicit anti-segregation clauses, and stronger punitive powers. The court set an eight-week deadline for UGC to come up with a new set of regulations, warning against any major omissions.

New mechanism

The latest norms stipulate that all higher education institutions must set up Equal Opportunity Centres (EOC) to oversee the implementation of the policies and programmes for disadvantaged groups. Besides, Equity Committees must be formed to manage the functioning of the EOCs and probe discrimination complaints.

These equity committees will have, apart from faculty and staff members, students and civil society representatives. Also, the panel is required to have representation from SC/ST/OBC communities but there is no word on those from the non-protected category. General category members fear this could hurt chances of fair hearing and influence the outcome, triggering what they call 'reverse discrimination'.

The new regulation mandates institutes to facilitate 24-hour helplines to deal with complaints of discrimination against SC, ST and OBC students. Institutions that fail to act on complaints could be debarred from offering degree programmes.

Once a complaint is received, the equity committee must meet within 24 hours to take action and file its report to the head of the institution with a copy to the aggrieved person within 15 days. The institution head has seven days to act on the report. If a criminal offence is made out, the matter should be reported to the police.

The concern was the relatively short time frame to investigate complaints and take action may force institutions to arrive at rushed decisions.

Equity squads

Apart from EOCs and equity committees, Universities must also constitute 'equity squads' or vigil groups that will conduct raids at 'vulnerable spots' frequently to report any equity violation. The squads will have representation from marginalised groups and will report violations to the EOC. Each institution was also directed to designate 'equity ambassadors' who will act as a nodal officer for implementing the activities planned by the EOC. Each unit, department, faculty, library, and hostel will have such ambassadors who will report any equity violation.

Bone of contention

Prior to notifying the updated regulation, the UGC had released the draft in February 2025, seeking public feedback. The draft was largely balanced and did not attract strong objections. In particular, it had a clause titled 'false complaints' to check malicious petitions of discrimination. It recommended a fine on those who deliberately push such wrongful complaints with the provision for strong disciplinary action against repeat offenders.

"Anyone who makes a false complaint of discrimination shall be liable to a fine as may be determined by the Equity Committee. In case of subsequent false complaints or false complaints of a serious nature, the Equity Committee may recommend the initiation of disciplinary proceedings as per the rules of the HEI in addition to the imposition of the fine," it said.

However, the entire section was struck off in the final regulation notified on January 13, which has now been stayed by the Supreme Court. The omission was the main grouse of the protesters, who allege the new law protects only the SCs, STs and backward classes, and shuts the door on general category students who also face discrimination and harassment due to their ethnicity, language, or place of origin.

They feel the proposed safeguards against demonstrably false complaints should have been kept, given the reality on campuses known for ideological clashes and personal rivalries. With penal provisions removed, malicious actors can weaponise the new mechanism to target rivals who don't belong to the protected categories. Moreover, they allege, there could be a spike in complaints against general category students and faculty, which could create unwarranted divisions on the basis of caste.

TERMS OF REFERENCE SET BY THE SC

1. Why was a separate section to define 'caste-based discrimination' inserted without suggesting any procedural mechanism to address such discrimination, when an exhaustive and inclusive section on 'discrimination' is already present?
2. Would the introduction of 'caste-based discrimination' have any bearing on the existing statutory sub-classification of the most backward castes within SC/ST/OBC and whether the regulation has safeguards to protect such extremely backward groups against disadvantage?
3. Would the term 'segregation' used in the context of allocation of hostel, classroom, mentorship groups and other academic programmes amount to 'separate but equal' classification, thereby infringing on Constitutional guarantees of equality?
4. Does the omission of 'ragging' as a specific form of discrimination constitute a regressive legislative omission? Does it run afoul of Articles 14 and 21 of the Constitution?

Caste-ing aspersions

The stated objective of the revised regulation of 2026 is "To eradicate discrimination only on the basis of religion, race, gender, place of birth, caste, or disability, particularly against the members of scheduled castes and scheduled tribes, socially and educationally backward classes, economically weaker sections, persons with disabilities, or any of them, and to promote full equity and inclusion amongst the stakeholders in higher education institutions."

Section 3(e) defines discrimination as biased treatment, whether explicit or implicit, based only on the grounds of religion, race, caste, gender, place of birth, disability, or any of them. It goes on to define 'caste-based discrimination' separately under Section 3(c), as "discrimination only on the basis of caste or tribe against the members of the scheduled castes, scheduled tribes, and other backward classes." This double entry created the impression that only members of the SC, ST, and OBC face discrimination and, therefore, can lodge complaints. The Supreme Court also questioned the need for a separate category called 'caste-based discrimination' when the same is already covered under the broad category titled 'discrimination'. Besides, ragging — a common form of harassment faced by all regardless of caste—has been left out of the scope of the regulations. The Supreme Court also remarked that excluding ragging from the anti-discriminatory law reduced its scope.

The latest regulations offer to keep the identity of the complainant confidential, to keep him/her from potential retaliation. However, no such consideration has been accorded to those accused of discrimination. This, critics argue, could cause irreparable damage to the reputation of the accused, even if they are falsely accused and subsequently exonerated.

Also, many find the phrase "whether explicit or implicit" problematic in dealing with biased treatment. What qualifies as implicit bias and who gets to decide that? Such open-ended wording leaves room for subjective interpretation influenced by the confirmation bias of the deciding authority.

2012 vs 2026

University Grants Commission (Promotion of Equity in Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2012 has been revived by the SC and is in force now, while the 2026 norms stand stayed. The 2012 regulation broadly defines discrimination as bias against a student on the basis of caste, creed, religion, language, ethnicity, gender, and disability. It explains the term 'equity' as "a level playing field for all students in respect of the entitlement and opportunity for enjoyment of all legitimate rights". It also spells out the issues of ragging and victimisation of students based on their caste, creed, religion, language, ethnicity, gender and disability.

In stark contrast, the 2026 norms appear to focus only on caste-based discrimination against SC/ST/OBC communities with other forms of harassment being ignored.

The main difference between the two laws is that the existing one is largely advisory in nature and specifies no strict timelines for action, while the other is specific in its application and stipulates deadlines for institutions and equity committees to act on complaints.

FLY ASH DRAFT NOTIFICATION FAILS TO ADDRESS CONCERNS

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THE Union Government recently issued a draft amendment notification regarding the eco-friendly utilisation of ash (fly ash and bottom ash), which are by-products of coal and lignite thermal power plants (TPPs). The draft mandates 100% utilisation of fly ash and promotes sustainable practices while conserving topsoil. Fly ash, which makes up about 80% of the total ash generated, consists of fine, powdery particles that are carried away with flue gases. Bottom ash, accounting for approximately 20% of the total ash in a TPP, is a coarse, gravel-like residue that settles at the bottom of a coal furnace.

A 2020 report by the Centre for Science and Environment (CSE), a New Delhi-based non-profit environmental policy think tank, found that only about 50-60% of the total fly ash generated by the power sector is currently utilised.

Various media reports and experts associated with TPPs have noted that the usage of ash is quite uneven. Some TPPs manage to utilise as much as 98% of their fly ash, while the majority utilise around 50%. Less than adequate utilisation of fly ash is prevalent in clustered TPP areas, where multiple power plants exist in districts such as Korba, Talcher and Nagpur. In these clusters, the utilisation level is often below 40%. One of the significant challenges in using ash is its transportation.

Fly ash is now being primarily used in industries such as cement, brick, ready-mix concrete, and for constructing roads and flyover embankments. While the industry sees profitable opportunities for fly ash in industrial applications, they find it uneconomical for use in abandoned mining fill sites.

Health and environmental concerns

Fly ash poses adverse environmental and health impacts due to its hazardous nature. Improper disposal and non-utilisation can result in severe air and water pollution. In addition to lime, silica and alumina, fly ash contains toxic heavy metals such as lead, mercury, arsenic and hexavalent chromium, all of which are known carcinogens. The presence of fly ash also diminishes the fertility of nearby agricultural lands, and residents living within a 5 km radius often report respiratory disorders due to emissions.

In addition to health and environmental impacts, several significant coal ash pond accidents have occurred across the country over the last 15 years, affecting both utility thermal plants and captive power plants. Minor incidents involving fly ash occur regularly but often go unreported.

The new draft recognises the concerns raised by various stakeholders regarding the implementation of the Ash Utilization Notification of 2021. The notification requires all mines — regardless of whether they are operated by the government, public, or private sector — to backfill voids or stow both operating and abandoned mines located within a 300 km radius (by road) of coal or lignite thermal power plants with fly ash.

FACTOIDS

- Around 290 operational coal/lignite-based TPP in the country
- Over 750 million tonnes of coal consumed
- Indian coal has average high ash content (30-45%)
- Reports show India generates 300-340 Mt of total ash (fly + bottom ash)

Imposition of penalties

In the first year of a two-year cycle, non-compliance with the requirement to utilise at least 80% of total ash will result in a fine of ₹1,000 per ton. If ash remains unutilised throughout the entire three-year cycle, violators will face an environmental compensation charge of ₹1,000 per ton for the quantity of utilised ash.

However, financial penalties have not been effective as many TPPs failed to meet the 100% utilisation rate and continue to pollute their surroundings. A notable case is the North Chennai Thermal Power Station, which has faced persistent issues with fly ash pollution, including a significant leak in August 2020 that flooded a nearby village. Residents reported problems with ash slurry entering their homes and adverse health effects due to pollution. River and borewell samples revealed heavy metal contamination. In 2017, the National Green Tribunal warned the TPP of a potential shutdown due to non-compliance, and a committee was established to monitor the situation. Despite a penalty of ₹8.34 crore in January 2020, pollution persisted.

To improve monitoring, the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) and the Central Electricity Authority (CEA) will develop an online portal for real-time tracking of ash utilisation within the next six months. The CEA is responsible for monitoring ash utilisation and ensuring TPPs comply with these provisions on a quarterly basis.

Removal of mixing limitations

The new draft notification eliminates the mandatory requirement to mix at least 25% fly ash with sand for backfilling open cast and underground mines. It also removes the provision requiring at least 25% fly ash to be mixed with overburden.

Overburden (OB) in mining refers to the rock, soil and materials above an ore body or coal seam removed to access resources. This material, often regarded as waste, is typically dumped about 5 km from the site of mining, forming large mounds. Over time, rainfall can cause erosion and slope instability, potentially leading to landslides or mudslides in mining areas. Incorporating fly ash with overburden helps create a binding effect that mitigates erosion and reduces rainwater infiltration.

"The draft doesn't specify the amount of fly ash to be mixed with OB or materials like sand used for filling the mines," stated Dr Vimal Kumar, Founder and Mission Director of Fly Ash at the Ministry of Science & Technology, Government of India. He added, "The draft notification creates space for speculation and manipulation regarding whether to mix a small amount or a large quantity of fly ash with overburden or other materials in the backfilling of used mines."

From pollution to profit

The notification indicates that the CEA, in collaboration with the CPCB, will formulate a plan for managing ash waste. Previously, the CPCB was tasked with initiating consultations with the CEA and chairing a stakeholder committee that included multiple ministries — Coal, Road Transport and Highways, Ports, Shipping and Waterways, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, and the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade — along with the CPCB and CEA.

This change in leadership reflects a shift in the government's approach toward fly ash, moving from managing pollution to developing it as an industrial product. TPPs are now viewing fly ash as a profitable venture, as its industrial applications have surged. The demand for fly ash has increased in various sectors, including roads, embankments, highways, cement and concrete, and in the brick, block, and tile industries.

Cluster challenge

However, the new notification does not address the issue of cluster power plants where ash ponds are created. These clusters generate significant amounts of ash, yet their utilisation remains limited. Transporting ash for mine backfilling or alternative uses is often uneconomical for these TPPs. "A major focus of this draft is on the management of ash from single TPPs or urban TPPs, which are already implementing usage strategies. However, it is silent on the challenges faced by cluster TPPs," commented a CPCB scientist who wished to remain anonymous. "Transporting fly ash is costly, and no TPP is interested in it." This silence leaves a significant gap in the comprehensive management of ash generated by cluster power plants.

Major utilisation sector wise

30-35%	25-30%	13-15%	10-12%	8-10%
Roads, embankments & highways	Cement & concrete industry	Bricks, blocks and tiles	Mine filling (stowing)	Dykes, trials, reclamation, agriculture etc.